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A Message From President Hopey

Dear Graduates,

On behalf of the Merrimack College community, I would like to extend our congratulations for the tremendous accomplishment of earning your degree. The achievement of a college degree is a special time and one that should be celebrated and always remembered.

Commencement marks the beginning of a new chapter, one that is full of exciting and rewarding opportunities ahead. I am confident that with a degree from Merrimack, those opportunities will be plentiful.

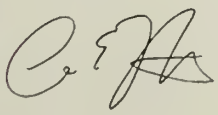
Many of you have found success both in and outside of the classroom. From leading clubs to working in research to competing on the field, your dedication and commitment to becoming leaders and thriving scholars will serve you well as you move forward as young professionals.

I am confident that together, we have built a lifelong commitment to learning, an eagerness to fully engage in everything you do, and the enthusiasm to always grow and challenge yourselves. You have the skills not only to achieve your goals, but also to exceed your expectations.

I encourage you to stay involved with Merrimack. As future alumni, you will join fellow esteemed alumni who continue to care deeply about Merrimack and its future. You are an important part of the Merrimack College community and you will continue to be in the years ahead.

Please accept my best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,



Christopher E. Hopey, Ph.D.
President

We Dedicate This Book To...

"Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds". Though the U.S. Postal Service does not officially have a motto, this phrase which is engraved on the outside of a New York post office is most often associated with their field. The staff of the Merrimack College Post Office live up to this saying by constantly committing themselves to excellence and providing service to our students and the Merrimack community. Paul Dearborn, Jeff Guerra and Chris Wagner always greet students with a smile and are happy to assist them in any way they can. They process over 350,000 pieces of incoming mail in a given year--a large percentage of which are for students. In addition they deliver over 16,000 packages a year and process over 200,000 pieces of outgoing mail. They are always looking for new ways to streamline procedures and make things easier for the student body. A few years ago they added an email notification system for student package pick up which was very well received by the students. The Post Office staff not only dedicates themselves to assisting the Merrimack community but they also partner with the ARC School to Work Program to assist special needs high school students in acquiring job skills. Students know that whenever they need a hand mailing a package or even if they're just in need of a good Red Sox/ Yankees debate, the Post Office staff is here for them!

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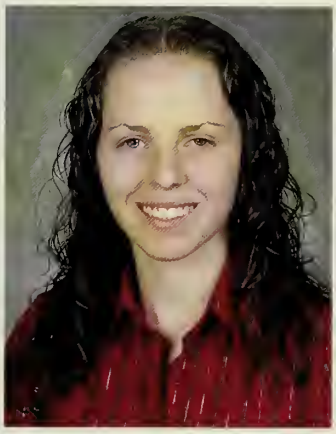

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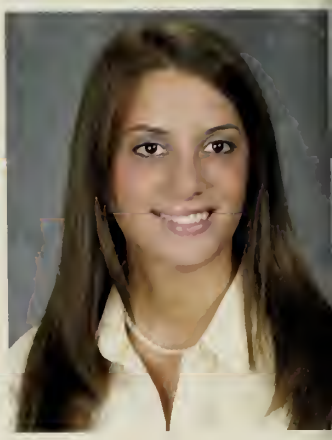

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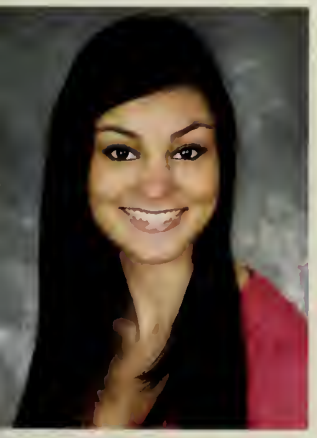

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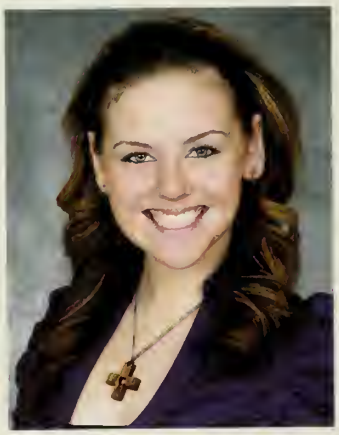

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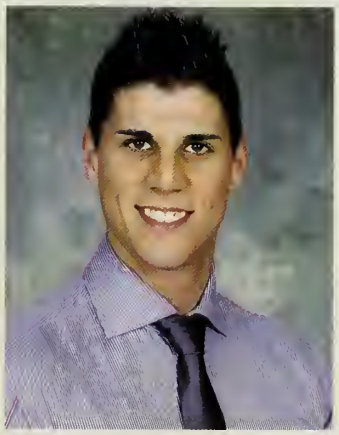

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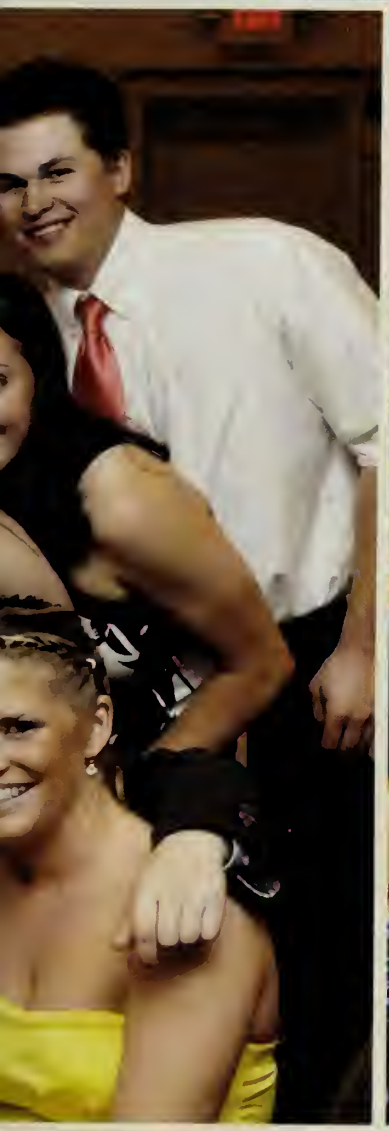

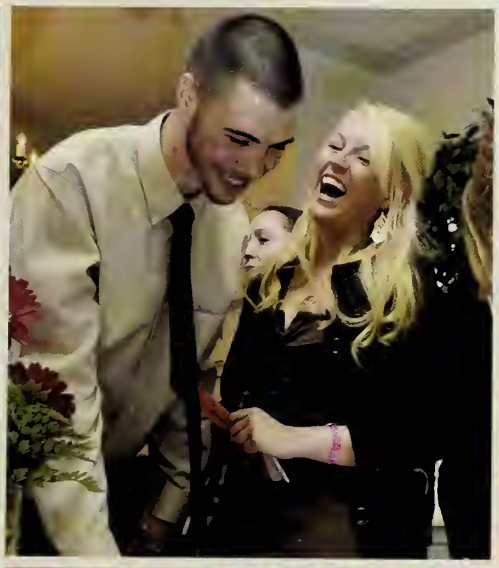

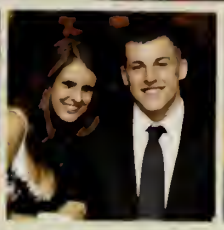

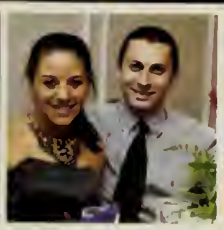

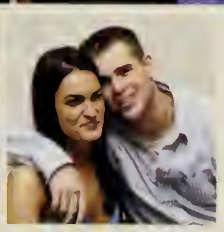

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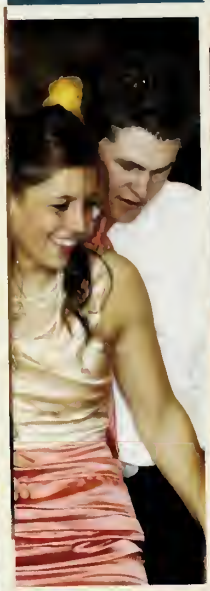
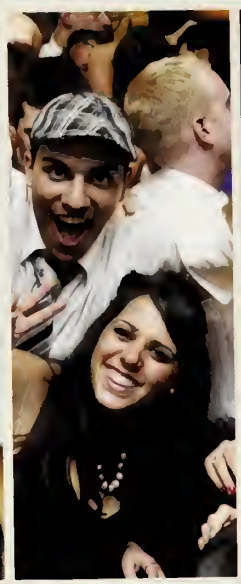

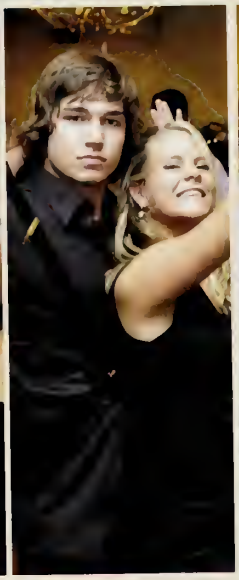

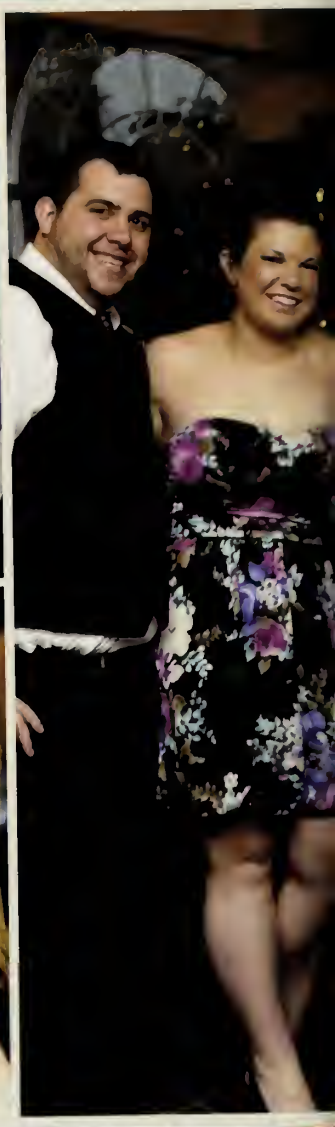
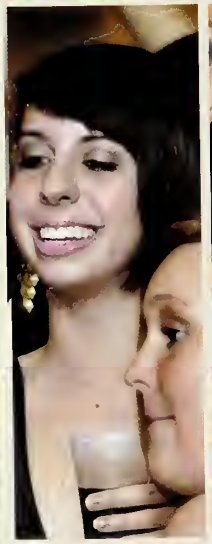
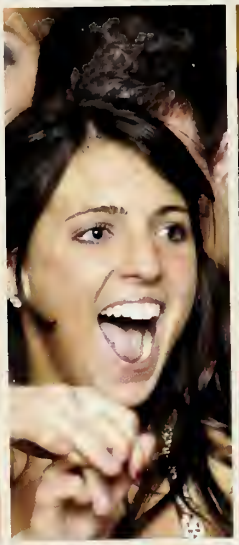
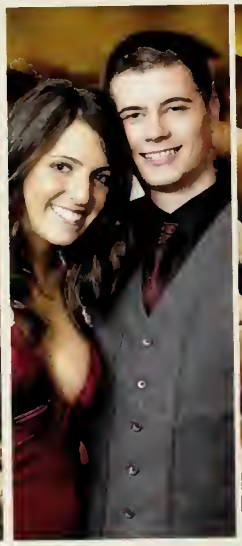
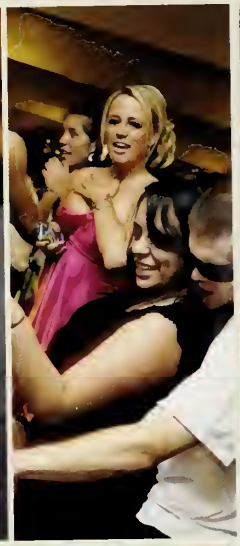
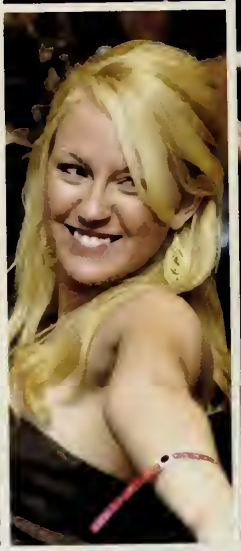

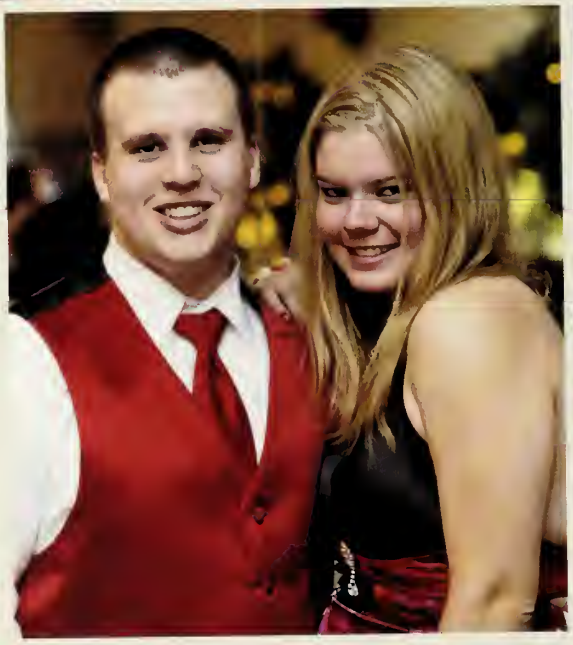

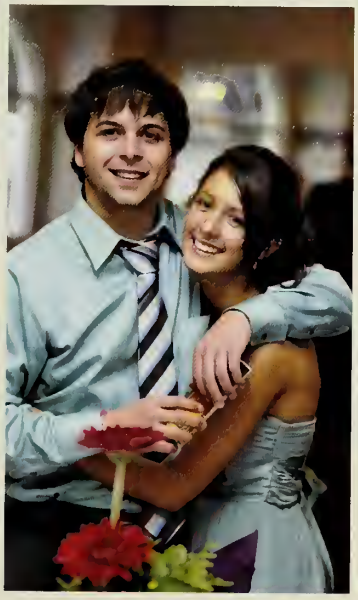

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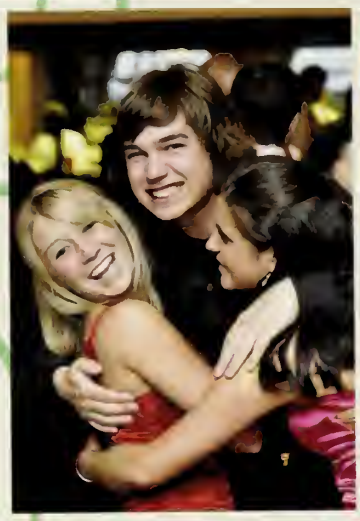

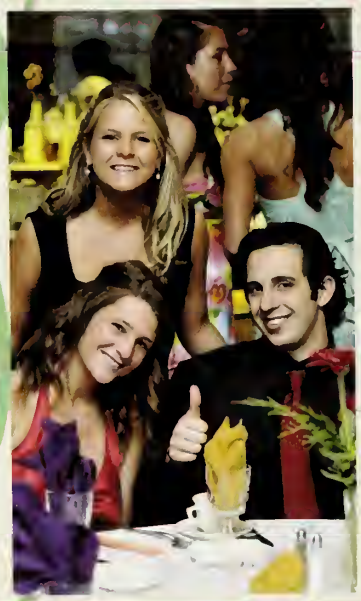

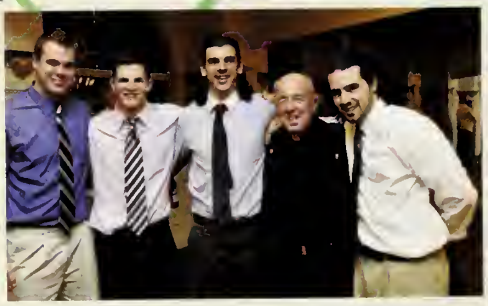

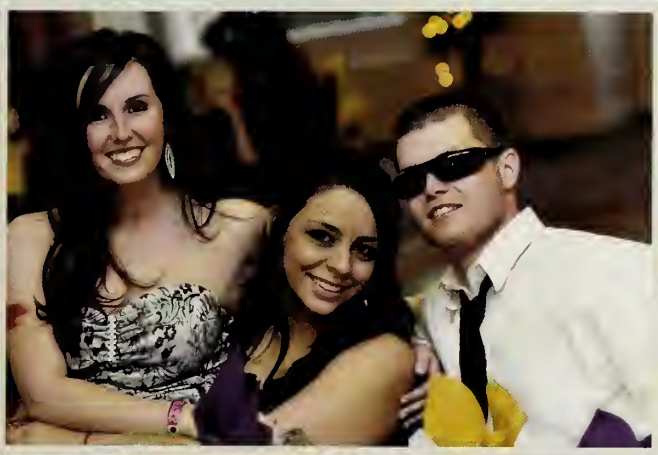

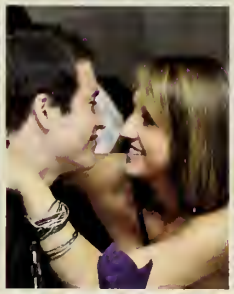

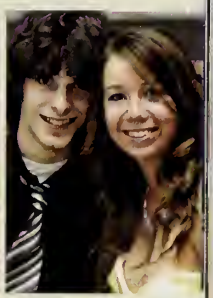

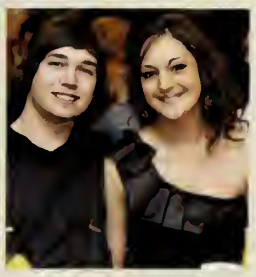

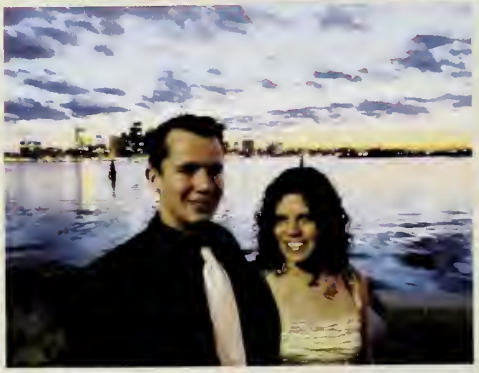

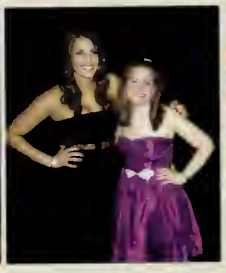

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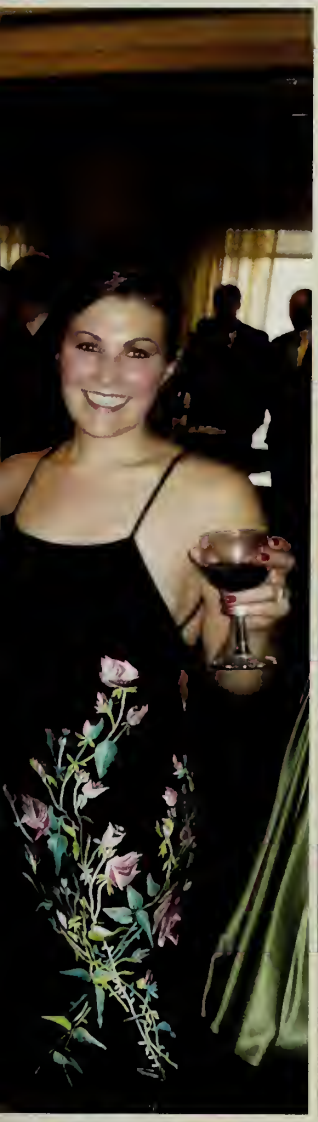

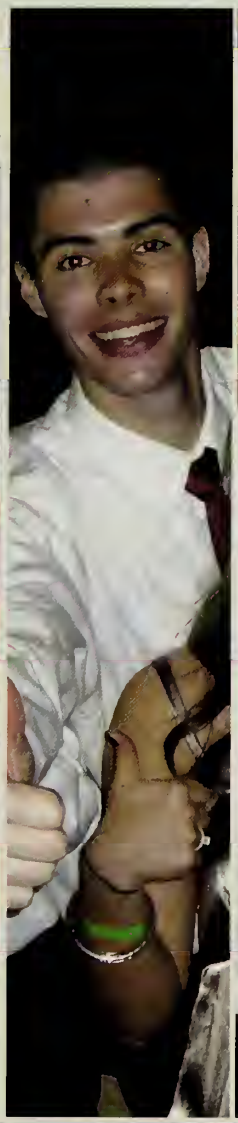

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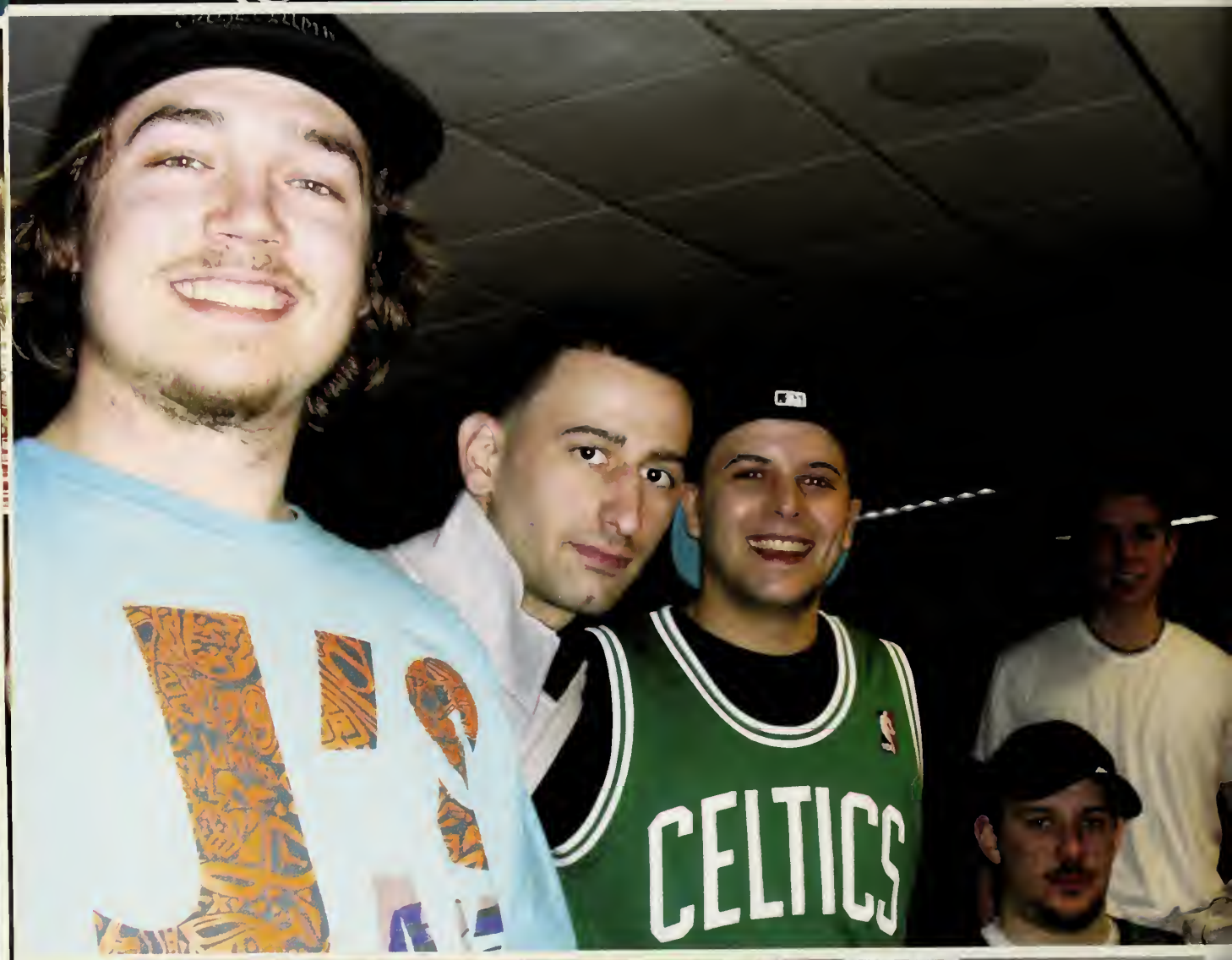

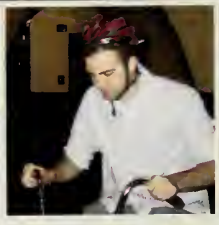

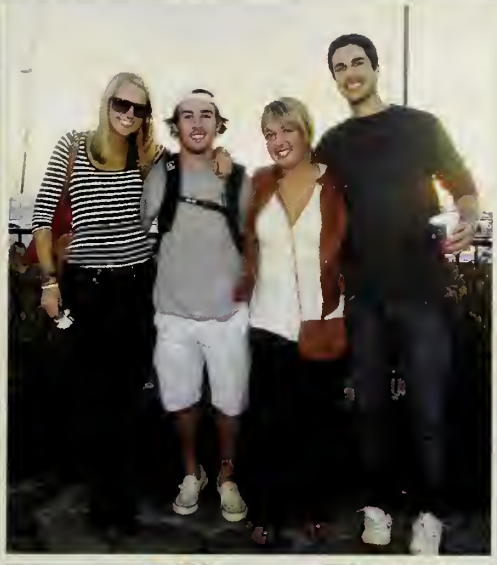

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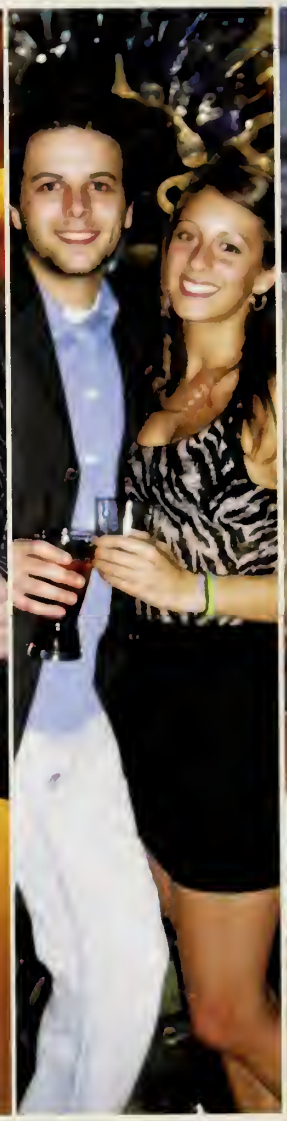

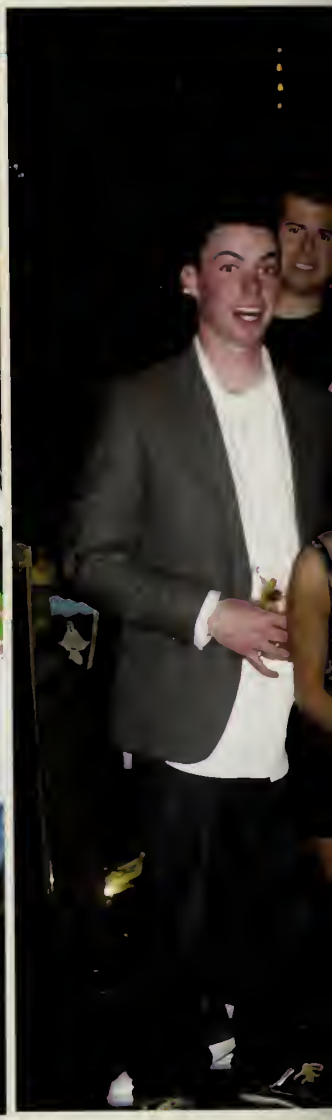

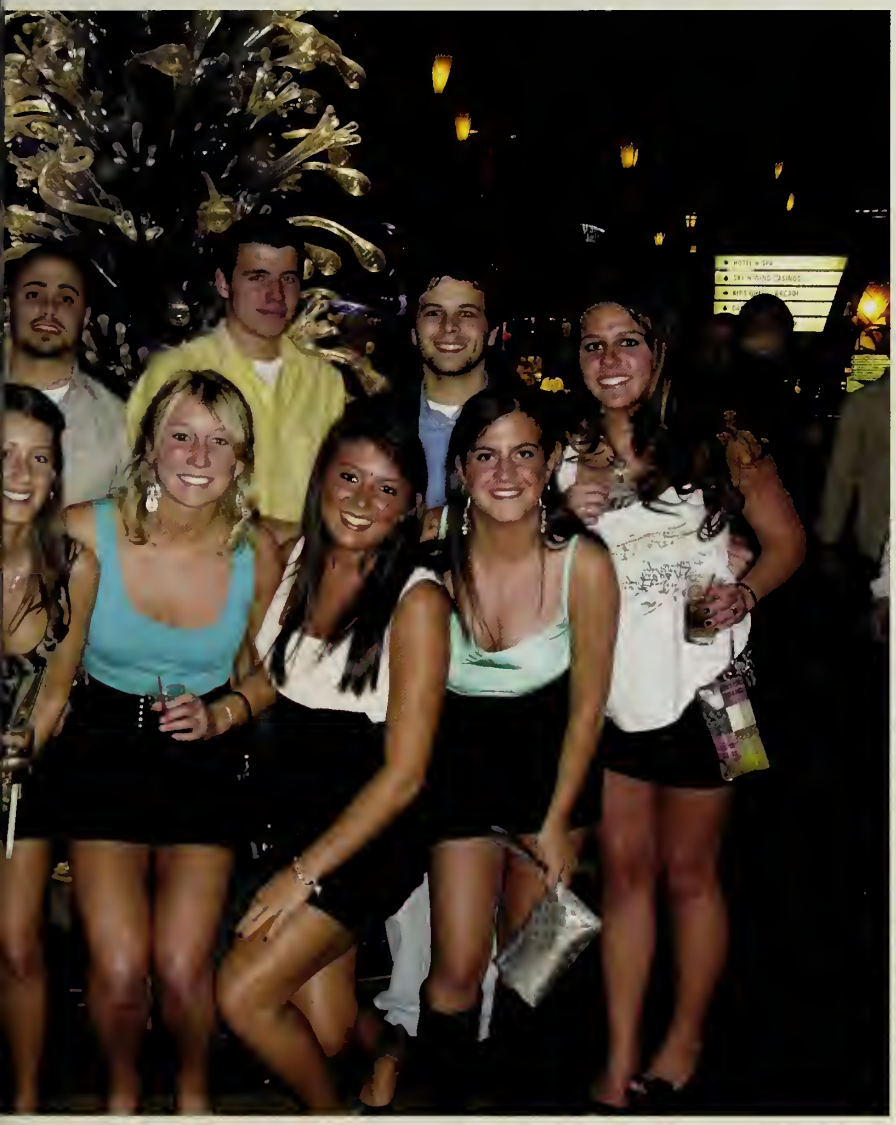

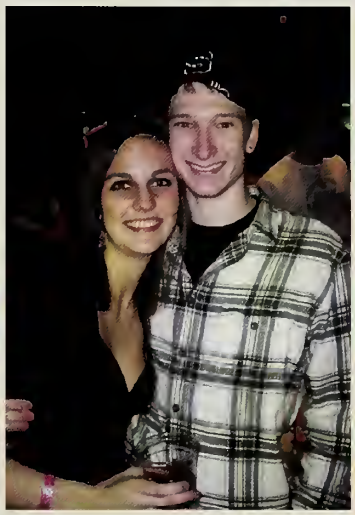

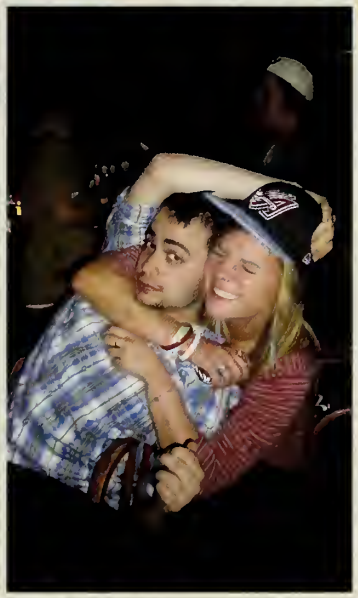

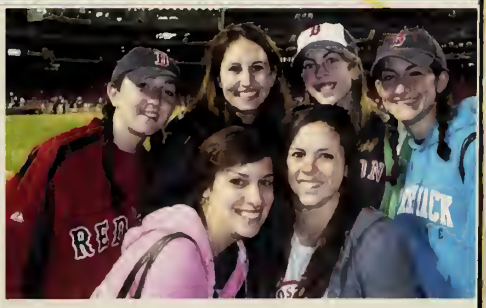

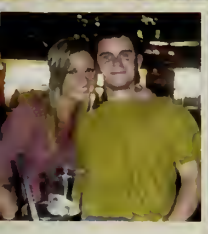

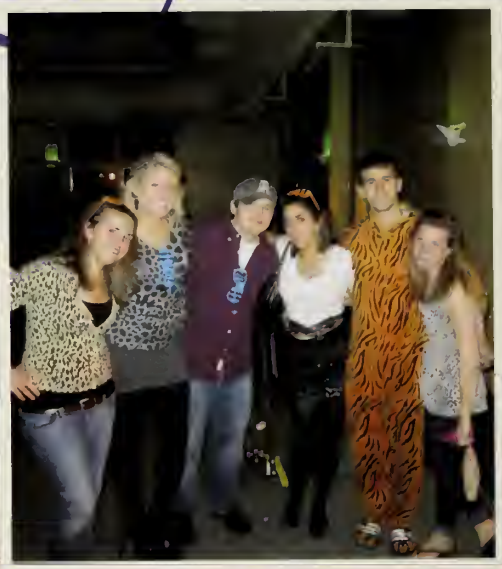

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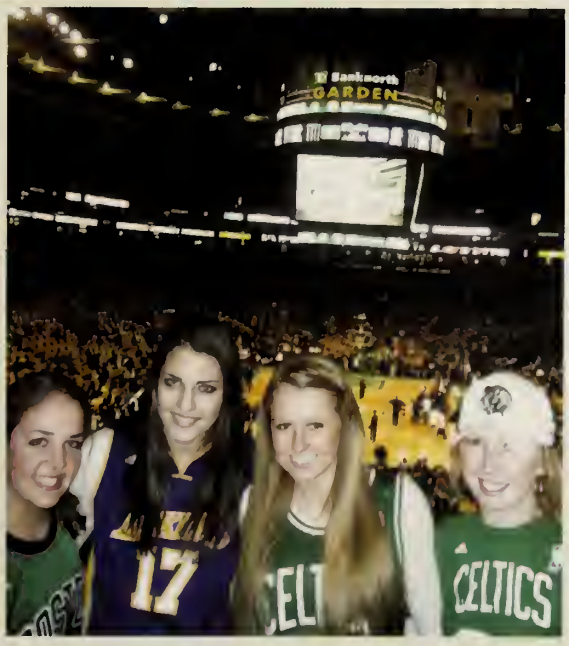

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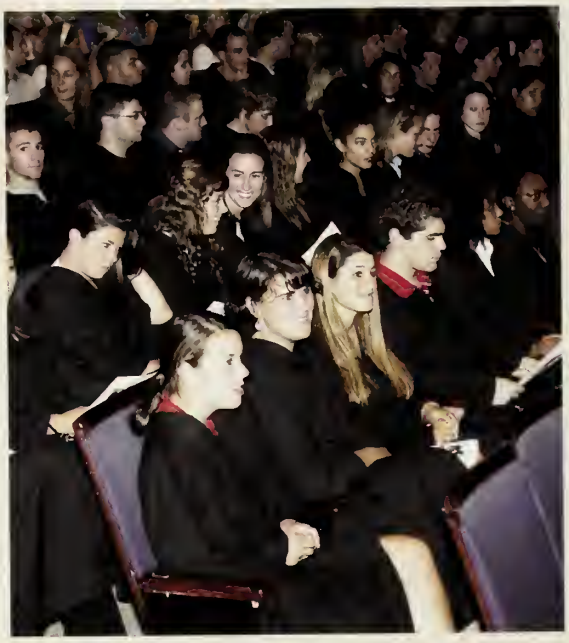

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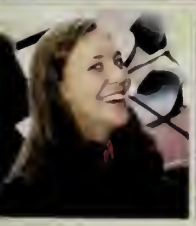

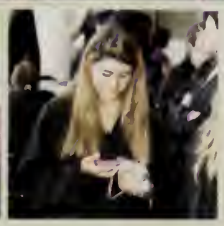

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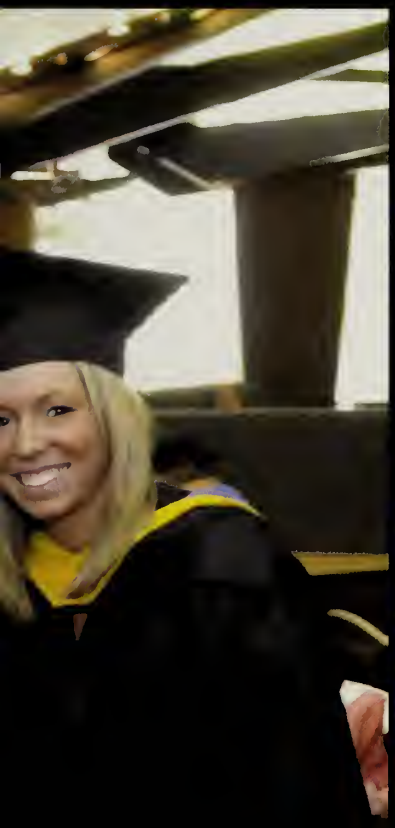

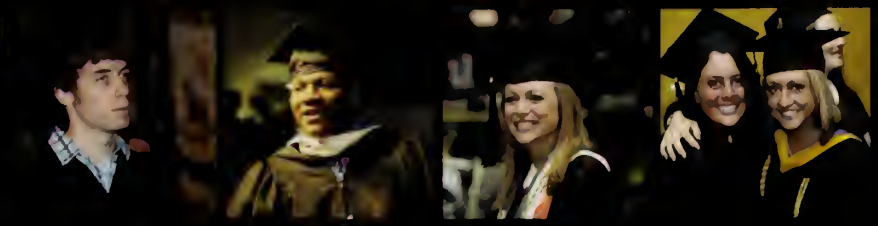

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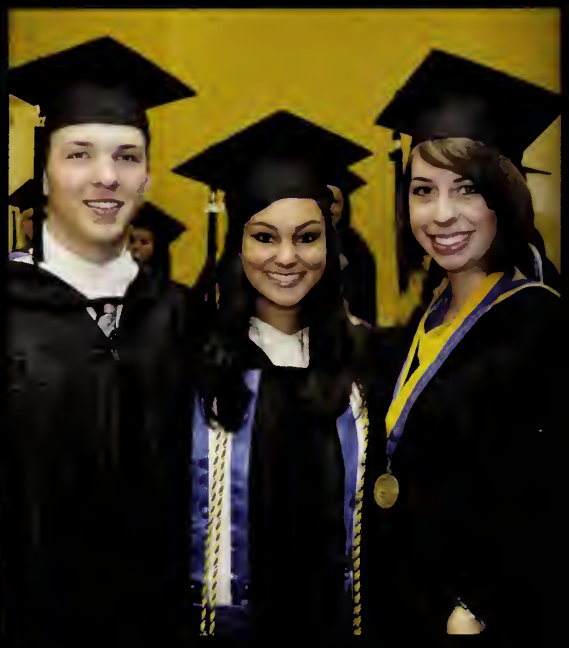

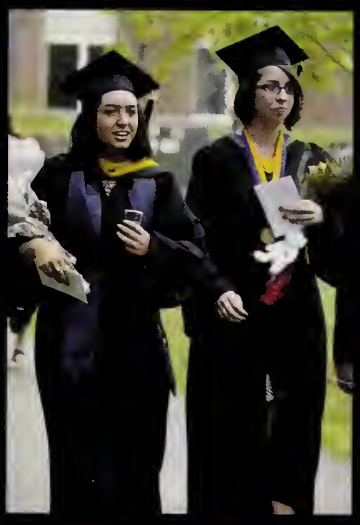

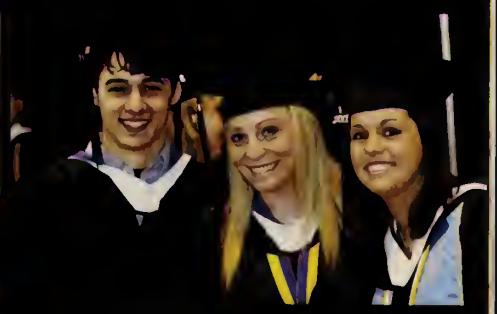

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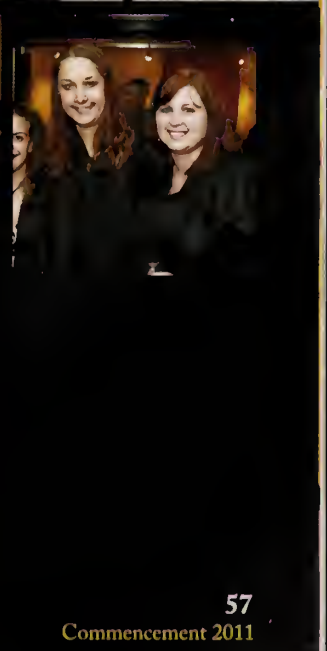

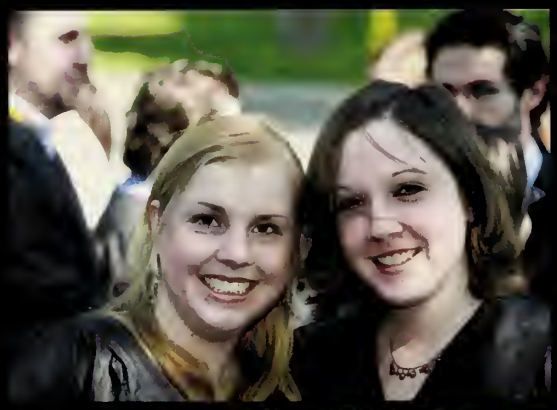

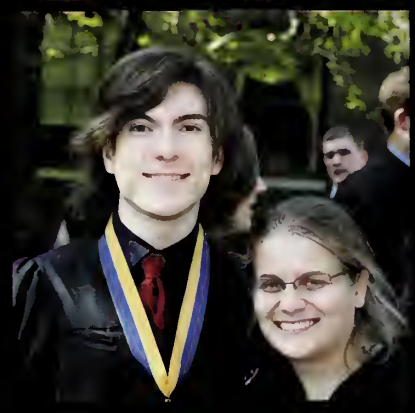

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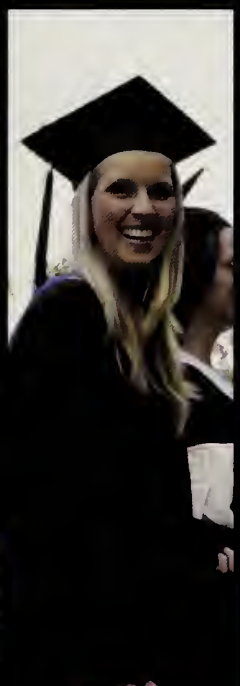

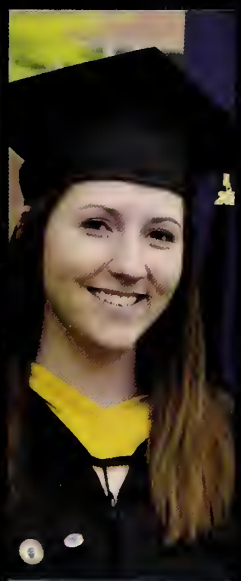

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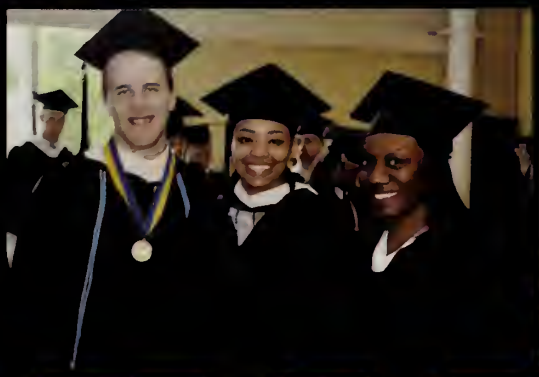

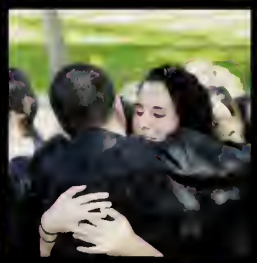

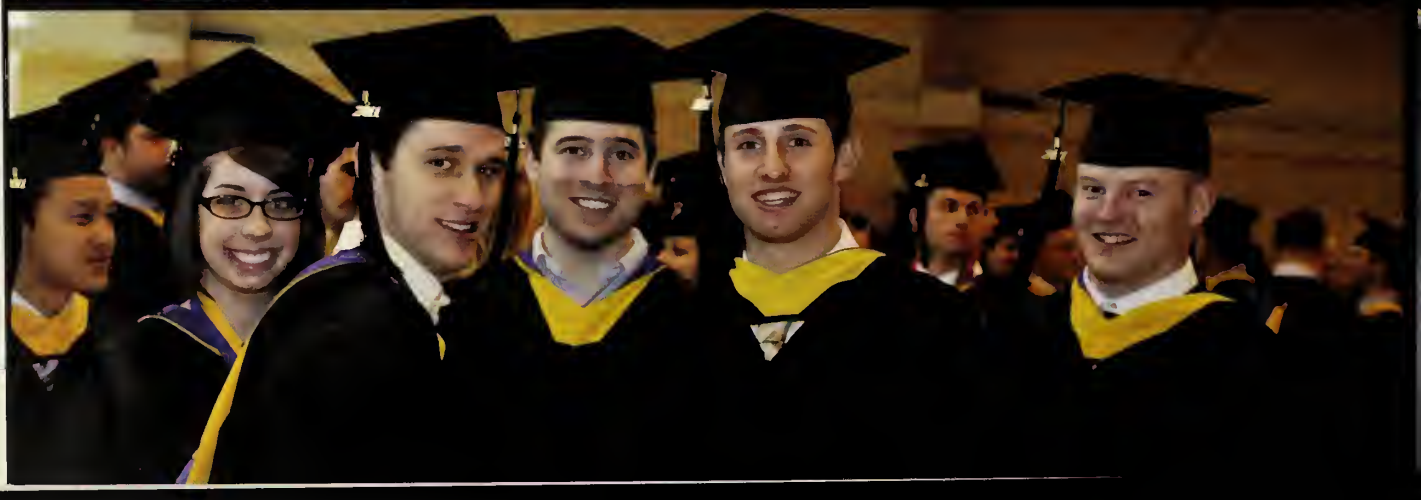

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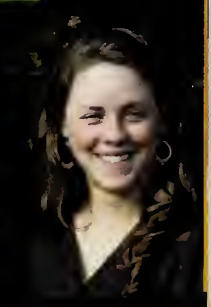

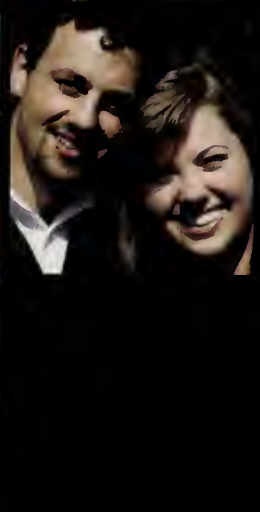

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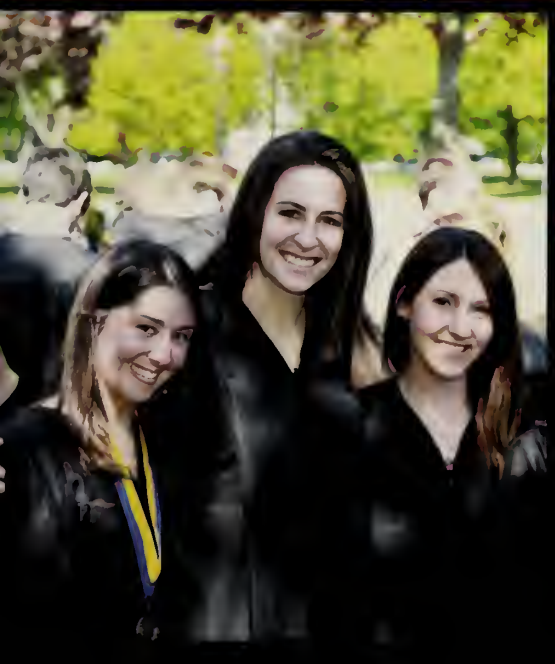

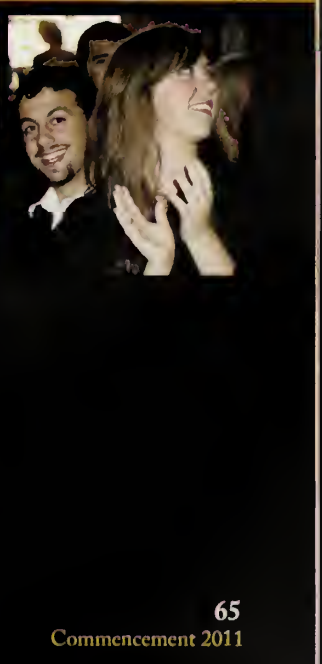

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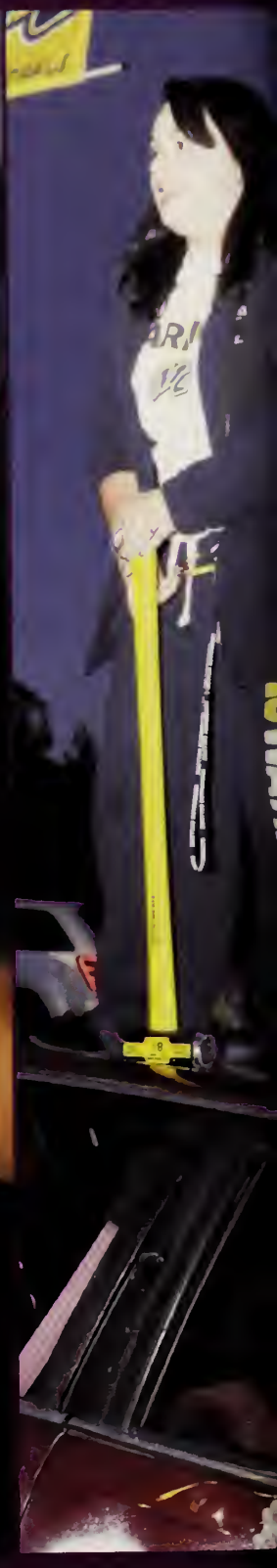

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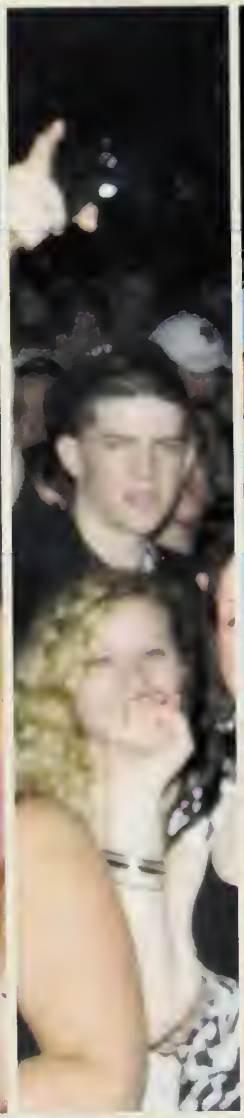

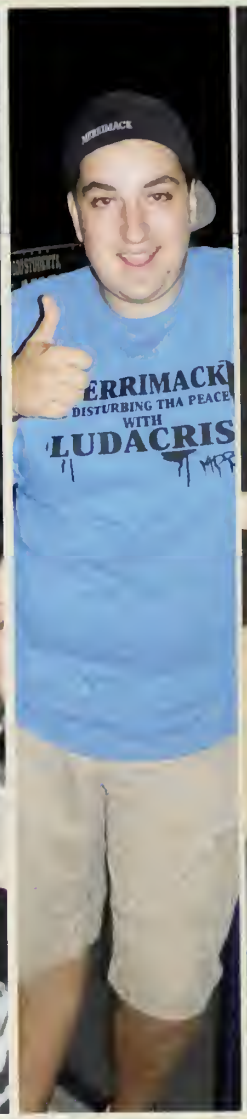

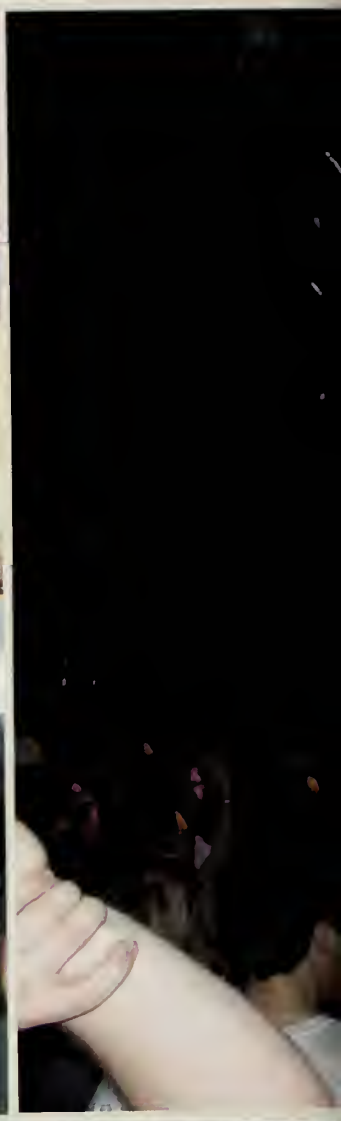

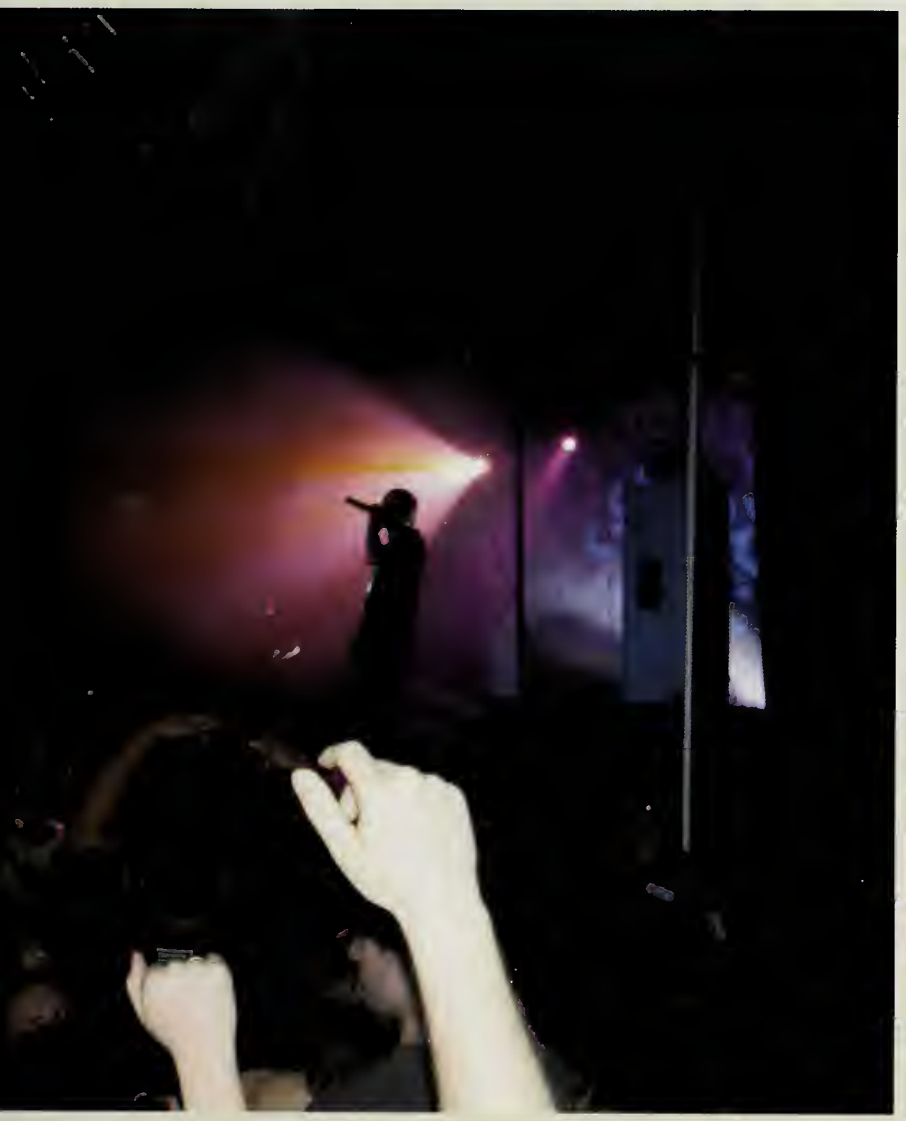

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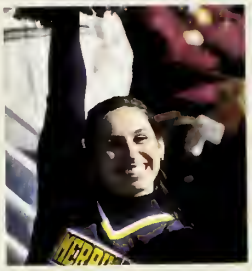

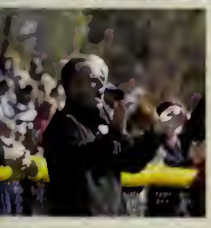

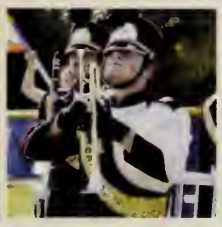

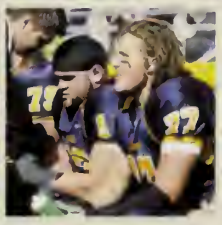

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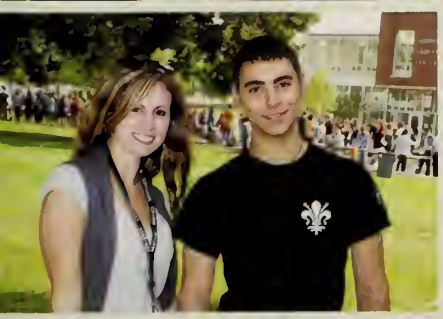

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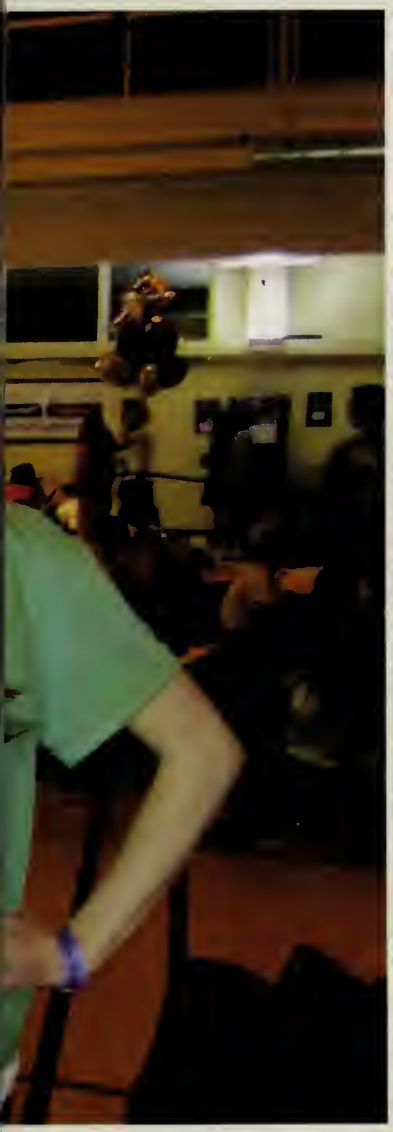

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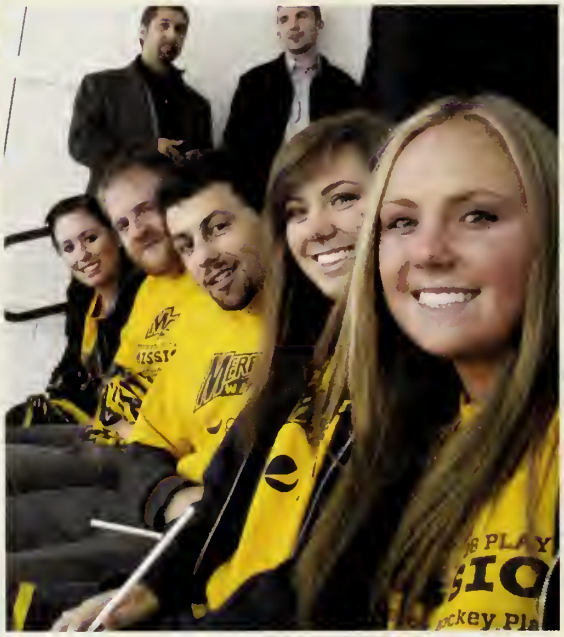

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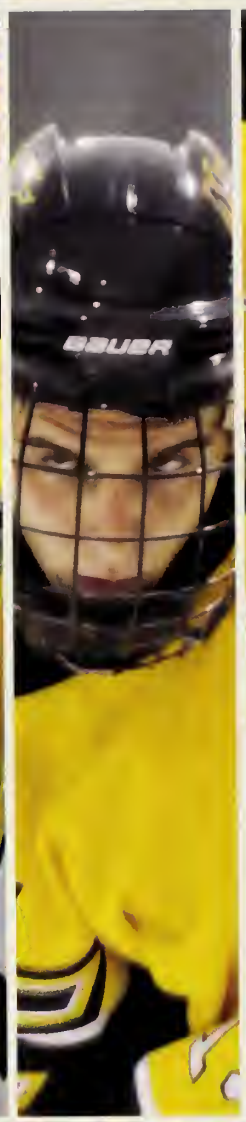

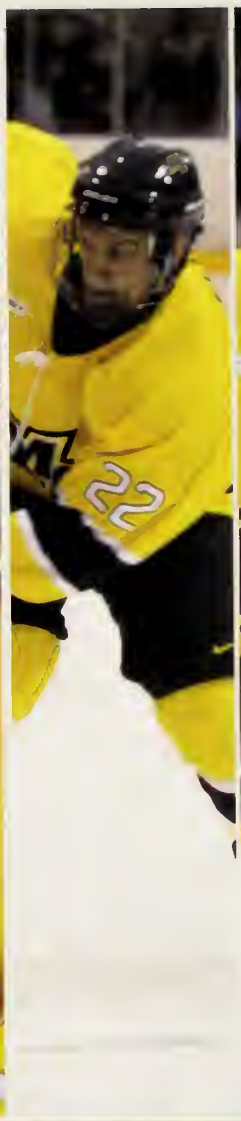

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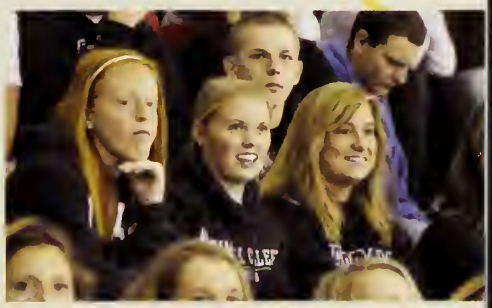

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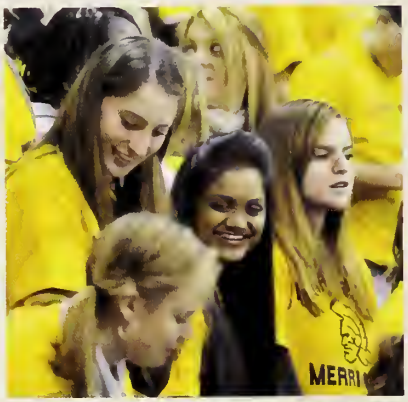

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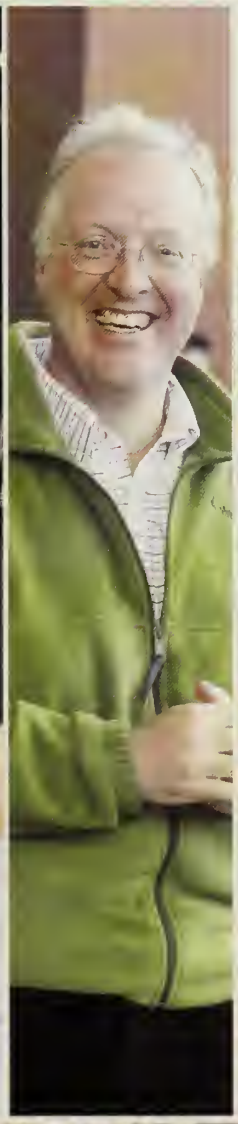

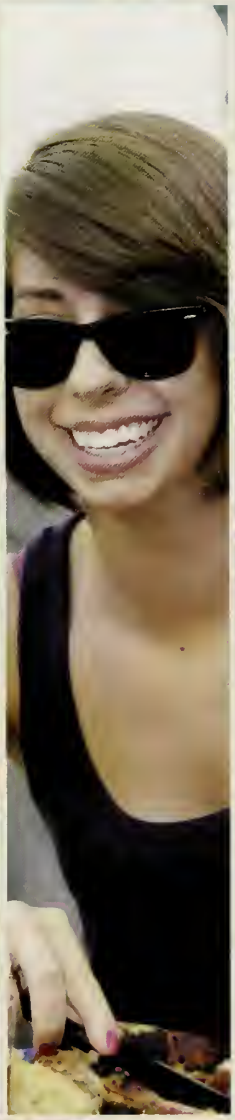

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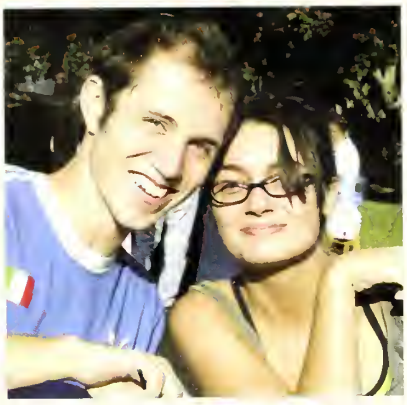

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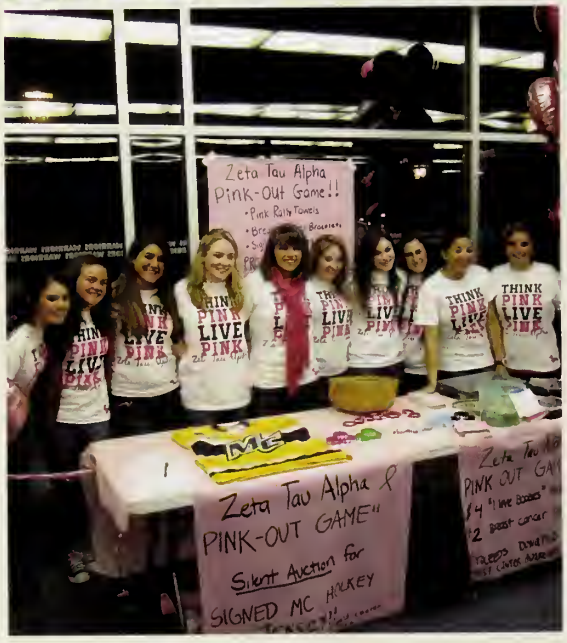

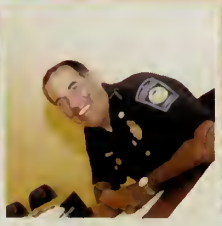

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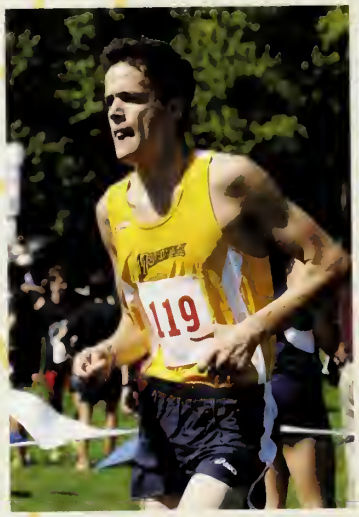
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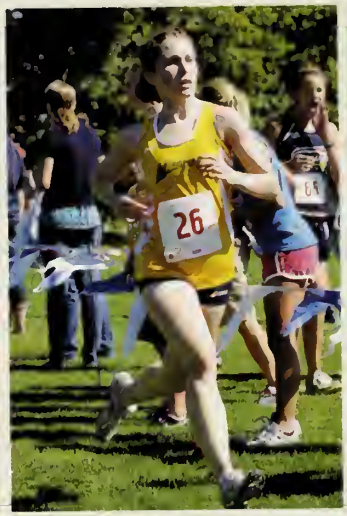
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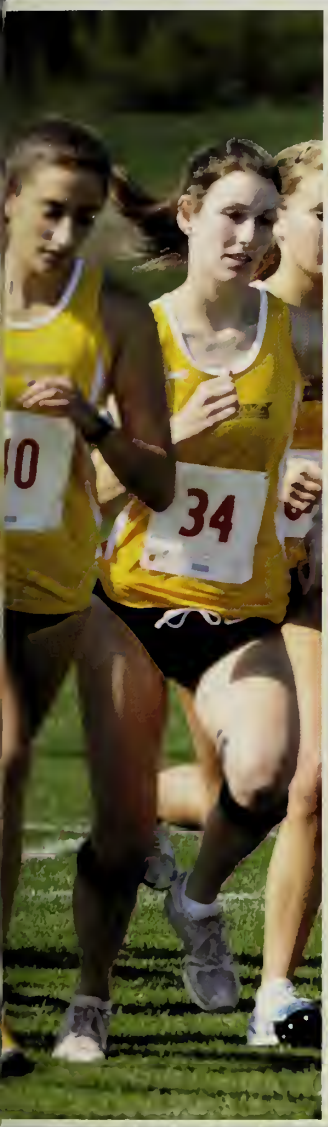

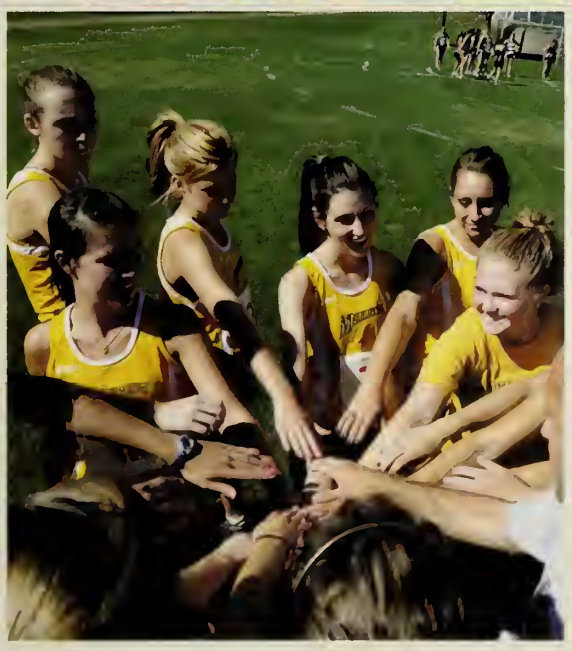

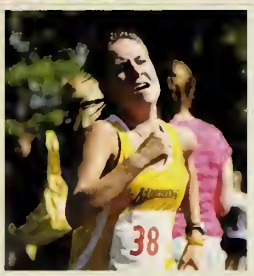

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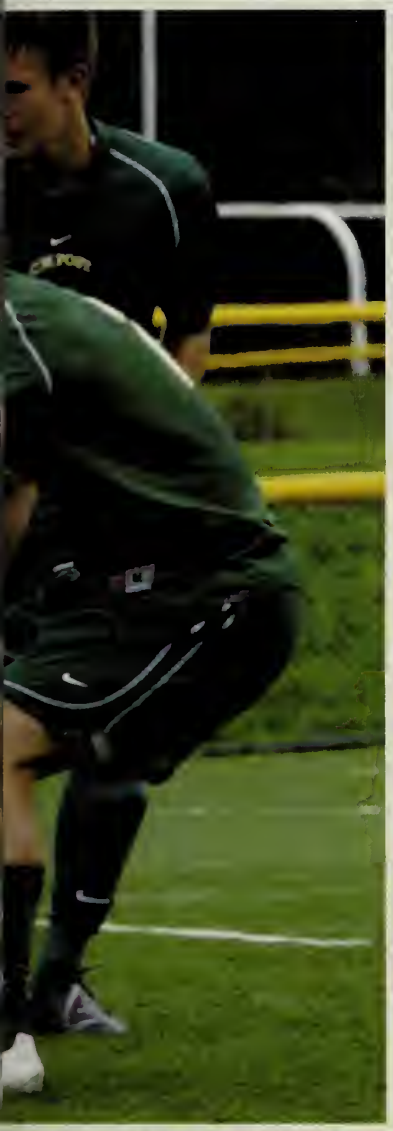

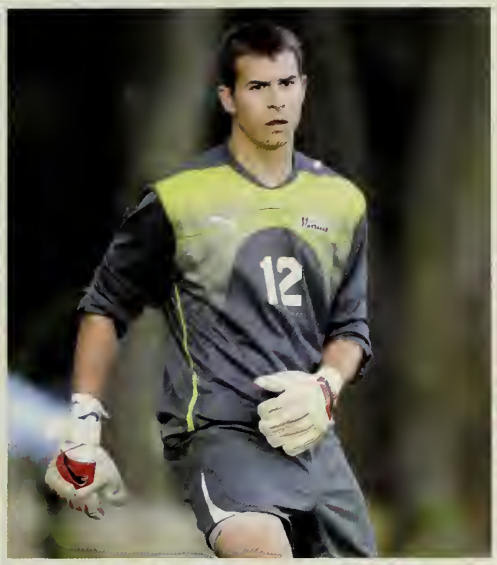

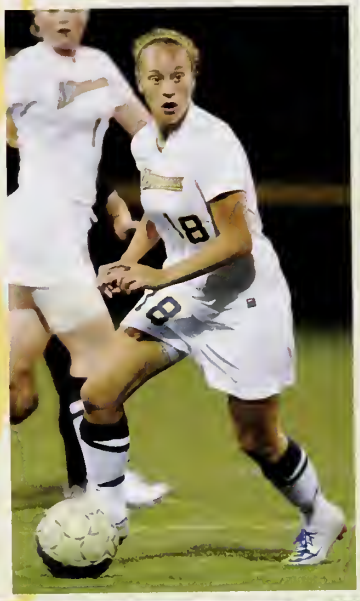

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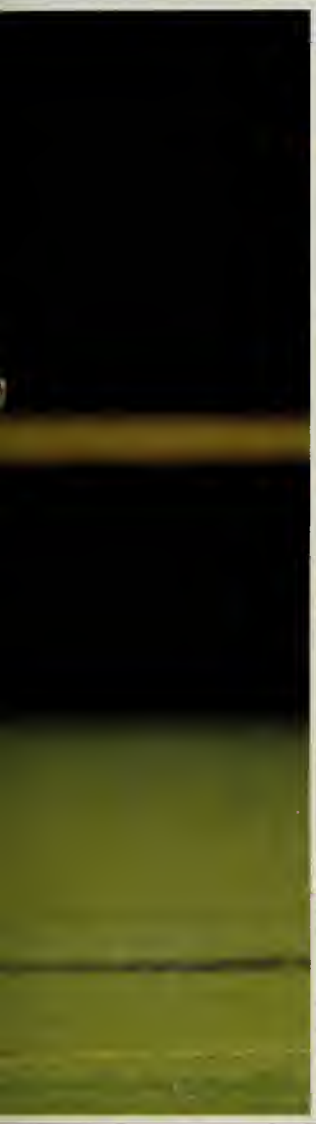

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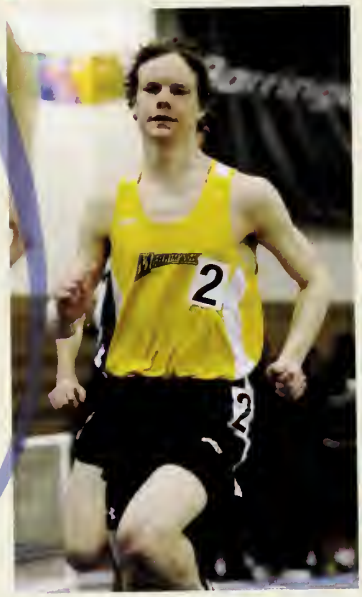

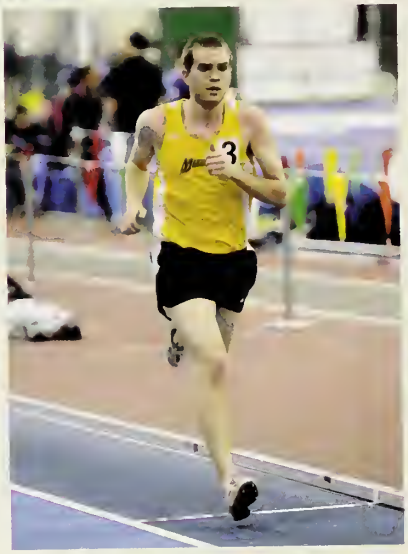

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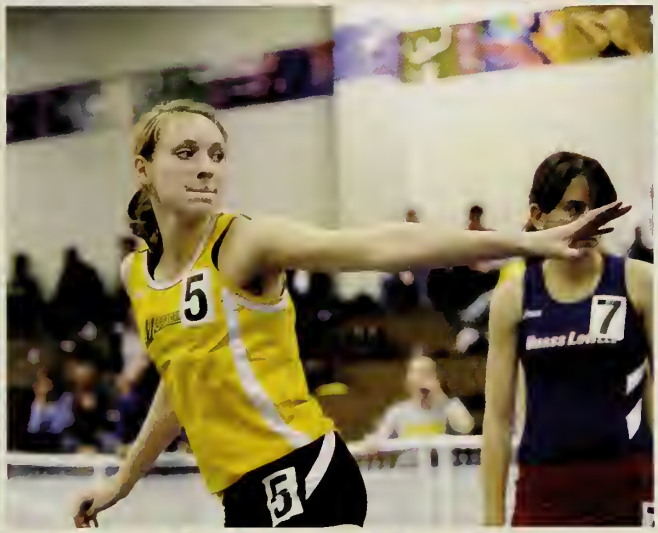

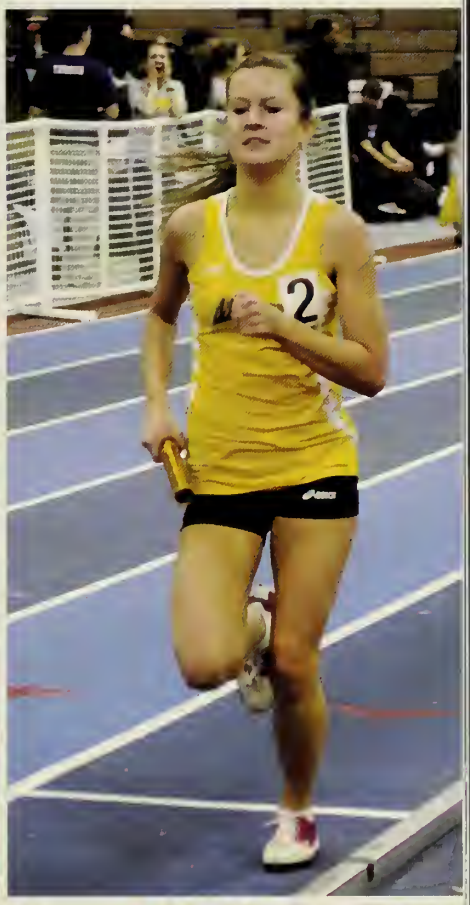

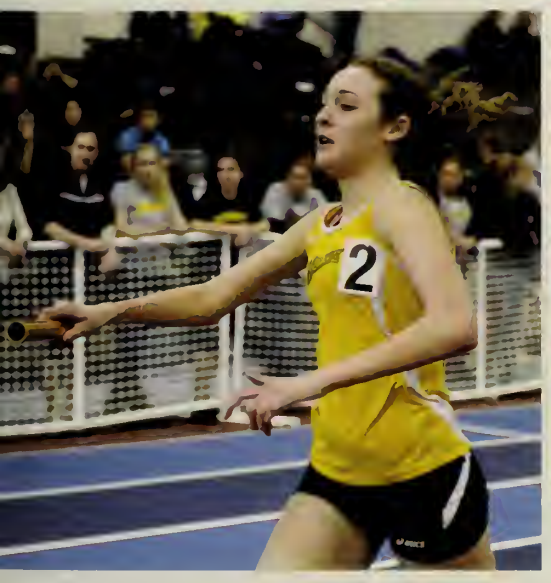

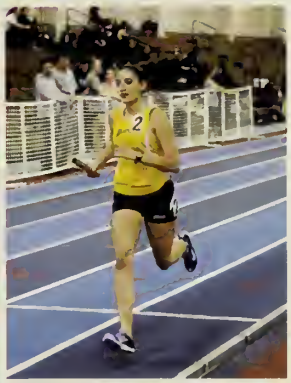

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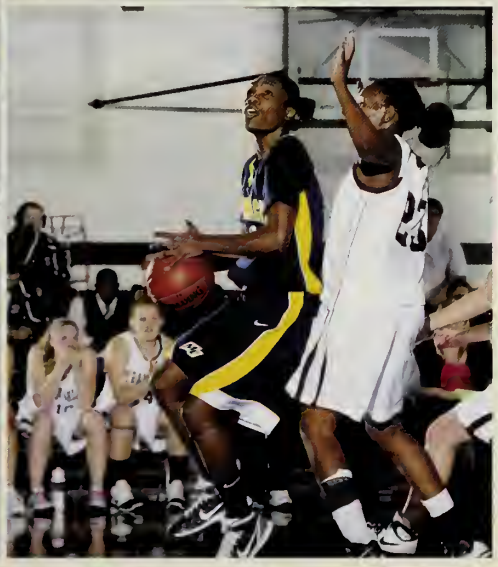

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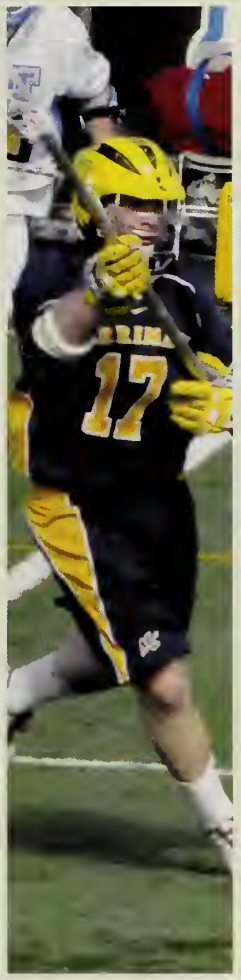

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From your Kindergarten Graduation, High School Graduation to your College Graduation, you have grown to be a wonderful young man. Our wish for you is a successful life full of good health and fortune. May your journey continue to prosper. The best is yet to come!

We love you and are very proud of you!

Dad, Mom and Mike

Ashley,

Congratulations on graduating from Merrimack College! We are so proud of you!

Love,

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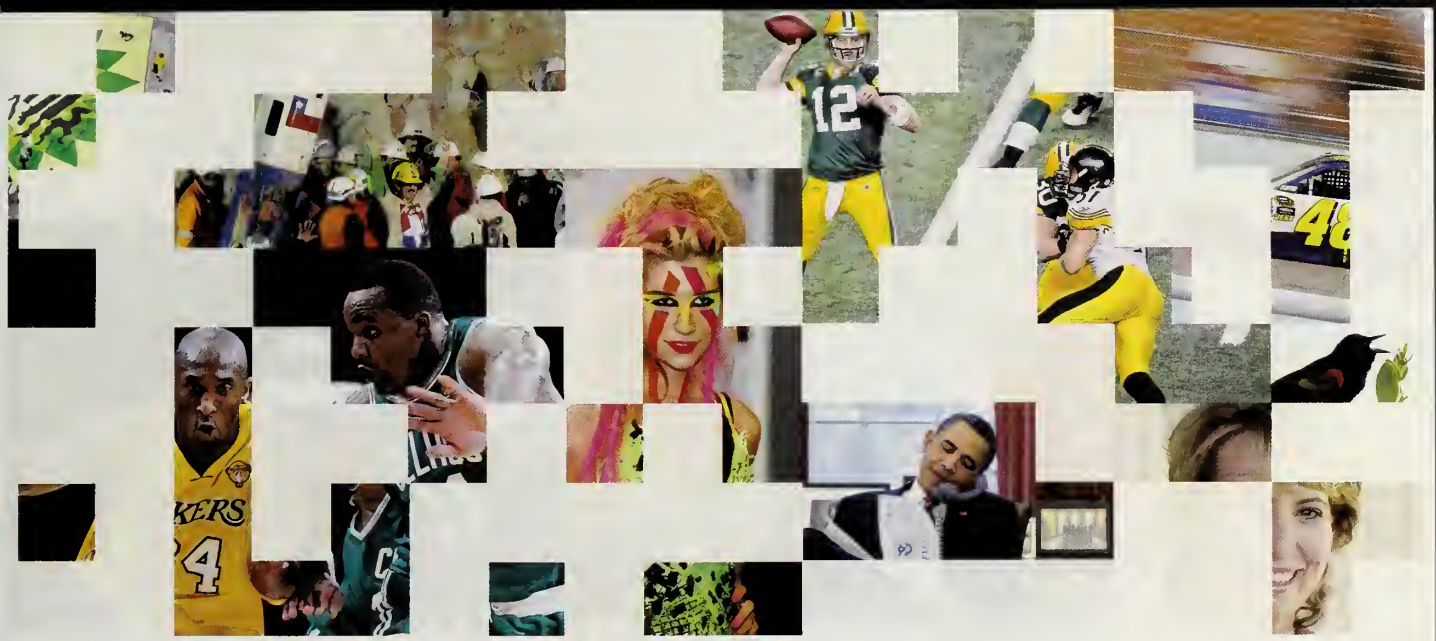

TWO THOUSAND TEN/ELEVEN WORLD YEARBOOK

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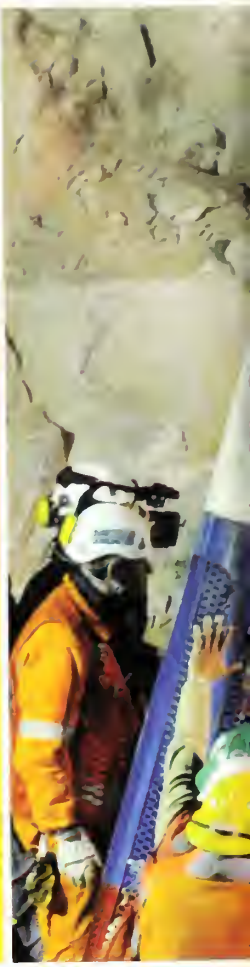
THE WORLD AROUND US

IN RECOVERY
As the economy showed signs of recovery from the worst recession most Americans had ever known, President Barack Obama's satisfaction ratings also became more positive.

NEW HOMEOWNERS REJOICE Fearful many buyers received tax credits of up to $8,000 when Congress passed a bill intended to revitalize a struggling housing market. The early summer deadline was later extended to cover those buyers whose closings were delayed due to the number of loans being processed. **WAR IS OVER** In late August, President Obama announced that Operation Iraqi Freedom had officially ended. While the last combat brigade had already exited, some U.S. troops remained in Iraq through year's end to help with training new Iraqi military forces.

HEALTH-CARE REFORM The Affordable Care Act was signed into effect in March 2010, with the hope of increasing accessibility and quality of health care for all Americans. Provisions for a government-run option continued to be debated. **PAYROLL TAX CUT** Aimed at stimulating the economy by increasing take-home pay, these cuts saved workers earning $40,000 an estimated $1,000. Some opponents worried about the shortfall the cuts would cause in Social Security funding.



43%
OF TEENS WERE BULLIED ONLINE

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TEENS REPORTED BEING BULLIED

CYBER-BULLYING
Bullying didn't always happen at school or even in person. Some of the most violent attacks happened over the Internet on social networking sites or via instant messages. Many worried that Internet bullying was becoming more prominent because of the relative anonymity afforded by shadowy screen names.

A REAL ISSUE: BULLYING

Though bullies had been found in schools and neighborhoods for centuries, the changing landscape of peer teasing and torture took several sharp turns in recent years.

In the past, intimidation and verbal or physical assault may have been most common forms of bullying. Another form of bullying, social alienation, became more powerful as a result of cyber bullying, where a victim's reputation may have been destroyed via emails, blogs, forum posts or text messages.

After what seemed to be an increase in teen and tween suicides due to bullying, many schools, communities and other organizations moved to provide programs and information for affected students and their parents/teachers.

ITGETSBETTER.ORG
This movement, inspired nearly 10,000 user-created videos and more than 10 million views, was started in 2010 by author Dan Savage. Among the celebrities, politicians and businesses submitting videos were President Obama, Hillary Clinton and employees at both Facebook and Google. It was a place where people could share their stories, take the It Gets Better Project pledge and watch videos of love and support.

NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE
By calling 1-800-273-TALK, anyone feeling the extreme effects of bullying could get the support they might need from trained volunteers who were ready to help.

CARTOON NETWORK'S "STOP BULLYING, SPEAK UP" CAMPAIGN
The country's television channels such as Cartoon Network stepped up to the plate in the fight against bullying. They launched their own campaign to encourage kids to speak up and to ultimately get their schools involved in anti-bullying programs.

THE TREVOR PROJECT AND LIFELINE
The Trevor Project was established to end suicide among young people by providing life-saving and life-affirming resources including a nationwide, 24/7 crisis intervention lifeline (1-866-4-U-TREVOR). Social community and advocacy/educational programs that created a safe, supportive and positive environment for everyone.

VIDEO PROOF
After the miners gave their loved ones a sense of relief by showing all 33 men alive and accounted for, they used videos to chat with their families.

FLAWLESS RESCUE
Televised efforts allowed the world to look on as Chilean miners trapped underground for nearly 10 weeks by a mining accident returned to safety in October. It took just 22 hours and 37 minutes for all 33 miners to travel nearly half a mile to the surface.

BOUNCING BACK
Arizona congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords made record strides in her recovery after a gunshot wound to the head during a Tucson shooting in January that killed six others. Giffords was critically injured, but surpassed expectations in the months following the shooting.

JOINING FORCES
When Britain's 2010 election ended in a hung Parliament, the two winning rival Prime Minister candidates (David Cameron, a Conservative, and Nick Clegg, a Liberal Democrat) agreed to join forces and form a coalition government, the U.K.'s first in more than 30 years.

EGYPTIAN OVERTHROW
President Hosni Mubarak's 30-year reign over Egypt ended in February when huge protests encouraged him to step down.

A ROYAL ENGAGEMENT
Prince William and his long-time girlfriend, Kate Middleton, scheduled an April 29 wedding after a much-discussed engagement.

LOSS OF POLISH PRESIDENT
Lech Kaczynski, his wife and 94 others died in April 2010 when their plane crashed in Russia. Thick fog was cited as the accident's cause.

WIKILEAKS SAGA
Julian Assange, a main spokesperson for the international non-profit that published classified news leaks, was named Readers' Choice for *TIME*'s 2010 Person of the Year.

SUPREME COURT
Elena Kagan, formerly the Dean of Harvard Law, was sworn in as the Court's newest Justice in August. She replaced 90-year old Justice John Paul Stevens.

NEW SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE
Nancy Pelosi handed the symbolic gavel to Republican John Boehner, the newly elected Speaker of the House, in January.

MOSQUE UNREST
After hearing of plans to build a Muslim community center within blocks of Ground Zero, protestors crowded the streets.

/DON'T MESS WITH MOTHER

VOLCANIC ASH
European air travel was severely disrupted when Eyjafjallajökull, an Icelandic volcano, erupted through the summer months producing a dense, enormous ash cloud.

EGG RECALL
Nearly half a billion eggs were recalled from nearly 20 states after a salmonella outbreak sickened thousands. All of the eggs came from a single egg-producing company in Iowa.

SNOWPOCALYPSE
Winter yielded record snow levels. Many areas of the country saw multiple school delays and closings due to snow. On Jan. 12, 2011, 49 of the 50 states reported snow on the ground.

IN LIVING COLOR
Scientists revealed the discovery of the biological structure that gives feathers their color in the journal, *Nature*. The report provided evidence that dinosaurs had a coat of downy feathers.

CAR BOMB ATTEMPT
An observant sidewalk vendor who noticed a smoking car and alerted police helped avoid a potentially dangerous situation in Times Square.

GUILTY
Faisal Shahzad, a 30-year-old Pakistani-born U.S. citizen, was arrested as he tried to leave the country and later pleaded guilty to the attempt.

HOW BIZARRE In a matter of a couple of days in January, hundreds of birds and fish died mysteriously in several states. **WV MINING TRAGEDY** A devastating April 2010 explosion killed 29 miners and injured others; the mining company had a history of safety and environmental infractions. **NEANDERTHAL DNA** German scientists partially reconstructed the Neanderthal genome and proved the survival of the genome in modern humans.

AND THEN
Nearly 100 tons of dead fish, mostly sardines, washed up on a Brazilian beach and reports of other mass deaths came from Italy and France.

While theories about the mass deaths included everything from cold stress and fireworks to hail, many scientists suggested that the various occurrences were merely coincidental.

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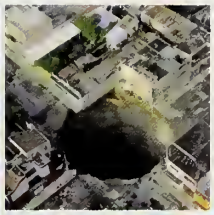


THE 'HOLE' STORY

A massive sinkhole in Guatemala City opened up and swallowed a 3-story building after Tropical Storm Agatha flooded the area with more than three feet of rain in May and June.

UNRELENTING RAIN

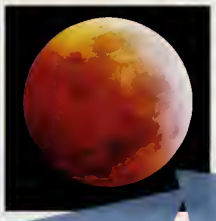
Nashville suffered its worst flood in more than 80 years after storms dumped more than 13 inches of rain on the region in two days. Buildings were flooded and more than 30 died.

LA NIÑA MONSOONS

Nearly 2,000 were killed and an estimated one quarter of the land in Pakistan was flooded in July. Miles of highway and railways and acres of farmland were ruined.

SLEEP TIGHT

Bedbugs terrorized the nation, invading hotels and stores nationwide. Because of the problem, a National Bedbug Registry allowed travelers to investigate hotels before checking in.



OUT OF THIS WORLD

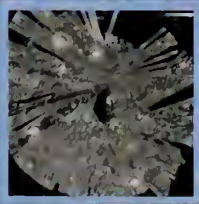
A solstice lunar eclipse — the first since 1638 — occurred on Dec. 21, 2010, and was visible across North America.

MINING MATTERS

In recent years, 51 coal seams in West Virginia had contributed 30,000 direct jobs to the state's economy, and its status as the nation's largest underground coal source.

OLDEST GALAXY

NASA's Hubble Space Telescope discovered a small star cluster 13.2 billion light years away, the Milky Way was 100 times greater in size.



LUNAR WATER

A probe found millions of tons of water ice at the Moon's north pole. The water source could be used to sustain a moon base or generate oxygen.

NEW PLANETS

NASA announced that its Kepler Telescope had identified 54 planets that could sustain human life. Conditions conducive to liquid water meant the planets might be inhabitable.

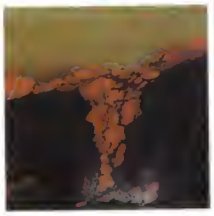
LAST SHUTTLE

The third space shuttle flight of 2011 — and NASA's very last shuttle flight ever — was scheduled for Atlantis on June 28, 2011.

OIL SPILL IN THE GULF

BRITISH PETROLEUM

205 MILLION GALLONS



THE PEOPLE SPEAK

BOUND TO HAPPEN

The follow up report by the National Commission on the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill And Offshore Drilling said systemic problems caused the blow out oil spill and only significant reform could prevent future spills.

THE STATS

HOW TO PROPERLY WASH OIL-COVERED BIRDS

STEP 1

ently flush eyes with warm saline solution. Swab oil from nostrils and bill. Remove any oil from stomach with tube.

STEP 2

Wash oil from body and wings with a dishwashing solution. Make sure to wipe the feathers in the direction they are growing.

STEP 3

Repeat 3-4 times until oil is completely washed away, then gently towel dry bird. Bird will be ready for release in 2-4 days.

D AD SERIOUS Oil contamination is often deadly for birds if they are not properly washed and cared for. Oil reverses birds' water resistant feathers, making them vulnerable to temperature change. Oily feathers also make it impossible for birds to fly and can even drag them underwater to drown. The oil can also cause internal harm when birds try to preen the oil from their feathers. It can cause kidney, liver and reproductive damage among other things. **CLEANING EFFORTS** Scientists and other volunteers worked on all kinds of wildlife affected by the spill. The processes for cleaning birds, turtles and dolphins varied, as did survivors' chances for recovery. Thousands of birds and dozens of turtles and dolphins perished. **LASTING EFFECTS** In addition to the casualties and the damage to wildlife, there are numerous other long-term effects. Human health issues included increased risk of cancer and other ailments, as well as escalated stress. Two of the region's other major industries (tourism and seafood) were shut down immediately and suffered lasting losses. Louisiana traditionally contributed a third of the nation's shrimp, oysters, crab and crawdads and, despite massive marketing campaigns, hotels and resorts on the gulf shore suffered decreased occupancy throughout the summer.

STRENGTH IN NUMBERS By June, 558,000 barrels had been collected from the water's surface and nearly 1,240 miles worth of booms had been set up to prevent oil from reaching the shoreline.

HELPLESS While four wildlife rehabilitation centers were established in response to the oil spill, 36 national wildlife sanctuaries were threatened.

OTHERS JOINED IN Mexico, Norway, Canada and the Netherlands all donated equipment (such as the water-skimming system on the right) to aid in the clean-up efforts.

JULY 15, 2010 After nearly three months, the leak was finally capped, but not before the effects of the spill could be seen in photos that were taken from space.

OIL COVERED It was estimated that more than 125 miles of Louisiana shoreline was contaminated with the washed up crude oil.

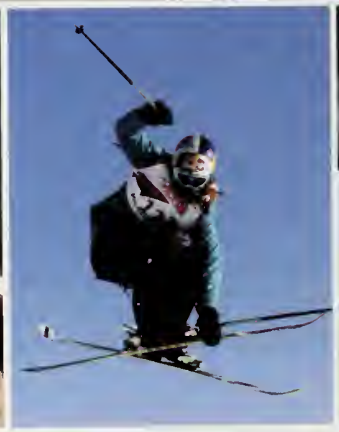
OIL CAPTURE Discoverer Enterprise, a deepwater drilling vessel, aided in recovering the spilled oil gushing from the leak site after a cap was placed in June.

/THE MAKING OF

TIGERS EDGE DUCKS The top-ranked Auburn Tigers defeated the No. 2 Oregon Ducks 22-19 in the BCS Championship game in Glendale, AZ as the 2010-11 season wrapped up. Auburn quarterback and Heisman Trophy winner Cam Newton threw for 256 yards and rushed for another 64, accounting for two touchdowns. Freshman running back Michael Dyer was named MVP. Senior Wes Byrum kicked his sixth career game-winning field goal on the last play of the game to save the Tigers' perfect season. This was the fifth consecutive national championship for the SEC.

FAST AND FURIOUS X 5 Jimmie Johnson came in second to Carl Edwards at the Ford 400 at Homestead-Miami, but that was enough to vault him over Denny Hamlin in the points race to win his fifth consecutive NASCAR Sprint Cup Championship. Hamlin's car was damaged early in the race and never challenged for the lead. Only Richard Petty and Dale Earnhardt, with seven championships each, had more titles than Johnson. Between 2002 (when he joined Hendrick Motorsports) and 2010, Johnson recorded 53 wins, 203 top-ten finishes and 25 pole positions.

DUKE DOES IT AGAIN The Duke Blue Devils captured the NCAA men's basketball championship for a fourth time with a 61-59 win over Butler in Indianapolis, IN. Duke's Final Four title, their first since 2001, snapped Butler's 25-game win streak. **FREE FALLIN'** Canadian freestyle skier Kaya Turski, in her first run since ACL surgery in April, claimed gold in the 2011 Winter X Slopestyle, repeating her win from last year. Turski also took silver in the 2011 Freestyle World Championships. **THREE OUT OF FOUR** Tennis star Rafael Nadal won the French Open, Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, bringing his total of Grand Slam victories to nine. Roger Federer won the Australian Open.



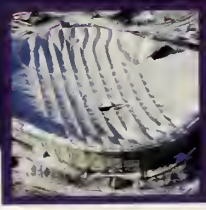
THE CREAM RISES Paula Creamer held off competitors Suzann Pettersen and Na Yeon Choi to secure victory at the 65th Women's U.S. Open. This was her first major tournament win.

RATINGS SOAR An estimated 715 million viewers — approximately one in 10 people alive at the time — watched the final match of the 2010 World Cup.

FACEOFF Watson, an IBM supercomputer, battled two past Jeopardy champions, winning handily. The $77,147 in prize money was donated to charity.

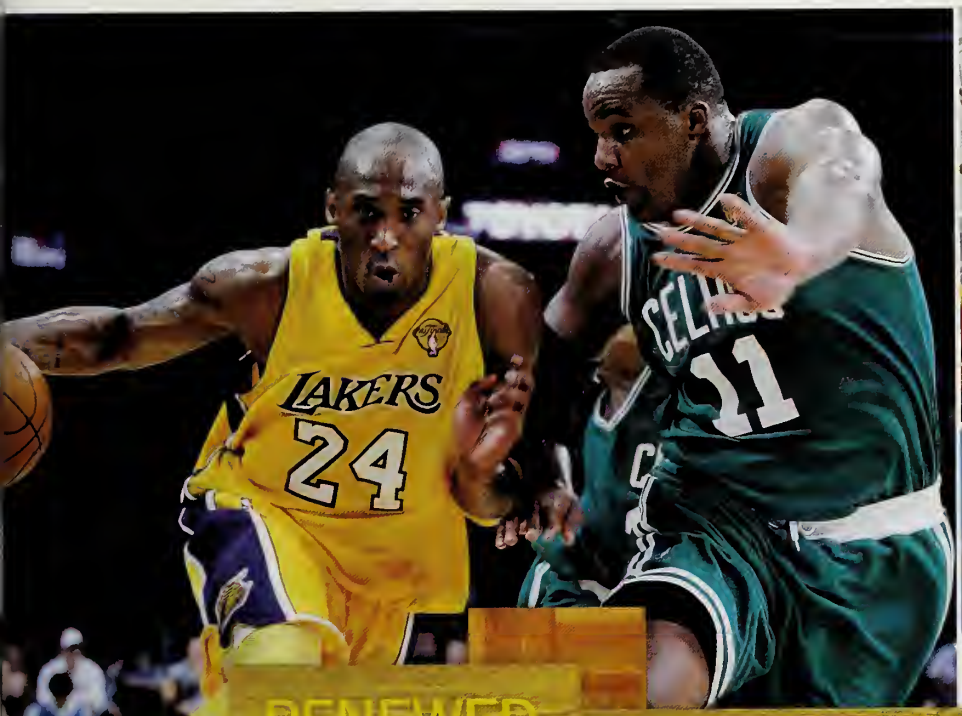
A NYC LEGEND George Steinbrenner, owner of the New York Yankees for more than 37 years, died at age 80. Steinbrenner's Yankees won seven World Series and 11 pennants.

WAVES OF GRIEF Andy Irons, three-time world surfing champion, died at age 32. He had 20 World Tour victories and four Triple Crown of Surfing titles.



SNOWED UNDER The inflatable Teflon roof of Minnesota's Metrodome collapsed under more than 17" of snow, delaying and moving the Vikings vs. Giants game.

CHAMPIONS



U.S. OPEN CHAMP
For the first time in 40 years, a European brought home the cup when Northern Ireland's Graeme McDowell won at Pebble Beach in 2010.

VUVUZA WHAT?
The distinctive sound of vuvuzelas, plastic horns long associated with soccer in South Africa, gained international exposure during 2010 World Cup play.

RETURN POLICY
In September, New Orleans Saints running back Reggie Bush surrendered the 2005 Heisman Trophy after it became clear there'd been violations at USC.

RENEWED RIVALRY

LAKE SHOW vs THE CELTS
Bird and Magic, Kareem and Ainge, Kobe and Pierce, Garnett and Gasol. The rivalry between these two historic NBA teams was renewed in the late 2000s; after Boston capped off with the win in a six-game battle in 2008, L.A. won a thrilling seven-game series in 2010. Combined, these teams held 32 NBA titles. That's more than half of the NBA's total championships!

/SUPER COMPETITORS

USA'S GOT GAME

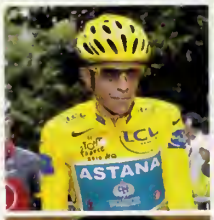
Landon Donavon's goal in extra time gave the U.S. team a World Cup victory over Algeria that advanced them to the Round of 16 where their tournament ended with a loss to Ghana.

A COACH'S SACRIFICE

Wake Forest University baseball coach Tom Walter donated one of his kidneys to freshman outfielder Kevin Jordan. Walter insisted he was not a hero, but many disagreed.

YELLOW JERSEY #3

Spaniard Alberto Contador finished 39 seconds ahead of Luxembourg's Andy Schleck to win his third Tour de France. This was Spain's fifth consecutive yellow jersey.



ROCKY STRIKES AGAIN

Actor Sylvester Stallone was inducted into the International Boxing Hall of Fame to recognize the impact his six "Rocky" movies, the first of which debuted in 1976, had on the sport.

OVERTIME WIN

Spain defeated the Netherlands 1-0 in front of 84,490 fans in South Africa to win its first World Cup. Spain was the eighth nation to earn soccer's highest honor.

A NEW RECORD

The University of Connecticut women's basketball team set a new record with 90 consecutive wins. The previous record was set by the UCLA men's team in 1974. The Huskies' streak ended with a loss to Stanford.

THE NEW A-ROD

Aaron Rodgers was named Super Bowl MVP after throwing for 304 yards including two touchdown throws to Greg Jennings and one to Jordy Nelson.

GOLD X 4

With a record-tying run, Shaun White scored an unprecedented fourth gold medal in the Snowboard SuperPipe at the 2011 Winter X Games in Aspen.

SUPER BOWL CHAMPS

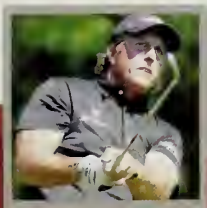
The Packers took the Lombardi Trophy back to Green Bay with a 31-25 win over the Pittsburgh Steelers in Super Bowl XLV. Despite a fourth quater rally by the Steelers, the Packers won thier fourth Super Bowl and 13th NFL title. The two storied franchises went head-to-head at Cowboys Stadium in Arlington, TX with 103,219 fans in attendance and 111 million watching on television. Due to safety concerns, 2000 ticket holders were forced to sit in temporary seating with 400 of the displaced fans left with no seats at all.

PSYCHIC OCTOPUS

Paul, an octopus, correctly predicted the outcome of all seven of Germany's World Cup matches and Spain's final victory over the Netherlands.

THE DECISION

NBA Star LeBron "King" James left the Cleveland Cavaliers after seven years to play for the Miami Heat alongside Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh



GREEN JACKET #3

Phil Mickelson claimed his third Masters title, beating third-round leader Lee Westwood by three strokes. His wife, Amy, battling breast cancer, was on hand for his victory.

HOCKEY CHAMPS

The 2010 Stanley Cup went to the Chicago Blackhawks after Patrick Kane's overtime goal helped defeat the Philidelphia Flyers 4-3.

13 AND COUNTING

Serena Wilhams bested Vera Zvonareva to win her fourth Wimbledon title and her 13th Grand Slam trophy. Only five other women had more Grand Slam victories.

A GIANT WIN

The San Fransico Giants won the World Series in game five by defeating the Texas Rangers 3-1. The Giants previous World Series win was in 1954 when the team was still in New York. Series MVP Edgar Renteria hit the home run that won the game and the series. In 1997, his single in the seventh game won the World Series for the Florida Marlins.

FEAR THE BEARD

Fans [illegible] during the postseason to support Giant's closing pitcher Brian Wilson who had sported a dark brown beard since midseason

/THE WORLD IS A STAGE

BIEBER FEVER

Justin Bieber, the 17-year-old Canadian pop star who began his career on YouTube, released his 3-D biopic and his second remix album the same weekend in February, 2011 to significant commercial success. The releases followed unrewarded Grammy nominations for Best New Artist and Best Pop Album and 2011 People's Choice nominations for Best Video and Breakout Artist.

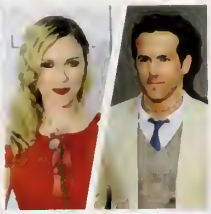
GET THE LOOK

Not everyone was blessed with super smooth and naturally windblown hair like Justin had, but with these simple steps, you too could sport the Bieber 'Do.'

HOW TO After washing, simply apply some smoothing product into your hair and then stand sideways in a windtunnel until dry. Keep still, or you could come out looking like a bad 80's music video!

BABY BABY BABY!

Voilà! You're the spitting image of Justin Bieber himself. However, proceed with caution, as you could very well start a riot of mistaken Bieber fangirls!



BEATLES ON iTUNES

Apple CEO Steve Jobs finally got his way when the Beatles collection was added to iTunes in November 2010.

DIVORCE COURT

After two years, citing the strain of managing two successful careers, Scarlett Johansson and Ryan Reynolds filed for divorce.

LOST FINALE

In its sixth and final season ABC's Lost was nominated for 12 Emmys and left fans wanting more.

HE'S BACK!!

Conan O'Brien had amazing numbers when he debuted his late night show, Conan, on TBS.

OPRAH'S LAST HURRAH

After 25 years hosting her afternoon talk show, Oprah Winfrey had other plans, including her own network.

ANIMAL DEBUT

KeSha was certified five times platinum for downloads of her hit single "Tik Tok."

NO MORE MUSIC

Singer/actress Ashlee Simpson reverted to her maiden name when divorced from Pete Wentz.

AMERICAN IDIOT

After a year on Broadway, the one-act musical based on Green Day's album by the same name won a Grammy.

GLEE TOPS ALL

First, the TV show choir ensemble passed the Beatles for the most appearances on Billboard's Top 100, then, in February 2011, they passed Elvis too!

X-FACTOR

After nine seasons, Simon Cowell left *American Idol* to bring his British hit show *X-Factor*, which featured solo performers and groups, to American TV.

AMERICAN IDOL

Only Randy Jackson remained as a judge for season 10; he was joined by Steven Tyler and Jennifer Lopez when auditions commenced in 2011.

TOP HONORS

Based on true events, *The King's Speech* was nominated for 12 Academy Awards and won Best Actor, Best Film, Best Director and Best Original Screenplay.

FAVE TELEVISION SHOWS

GLEE
GOSSIP GIRL
CHUCK
THE VAMPIRE DIARIES
FAMILY GUY
NCIS: LOS ANGELES
PRETTY LITTLE LIARS
AMERICAN IDOL
SIMPSONS
KEEPING UP WITH THE KARDASHIANS

A SHORT TERM

Season Three's premiere episode of *Jersey Shore* set an MTV record for viewership when 8.45 million viewers tuned in to the opener.

2010 TOP MUSIC DOWNLOADS

01. ***HEY, SOUL SISTER*** – TRAIN
02. ***CALIFORNIA GURLS*** – KATY PERRY
03. ***LOVE THE WAY YOU LIE*** – EMINEM
04. ***AIRPLANES*** – B.O.B
05. ***DYNAMITE*** – TAIO CRUZ
06. ***OMG*** – USHER
07. ***BREAK YOUR HEART*** – TAIO CRUZ
08. ***TIK TOK*** – KE$HA
09. ***NEED YOU NOW*** – LADY ANTEBELLUM
10. ***NOT AFRAID*** – EMINEM

ARCADE FIRE
The Montreal indie band's album, *The Suburbs*, topped the summer charts and earned the Grammy award for Best Album of the Year.

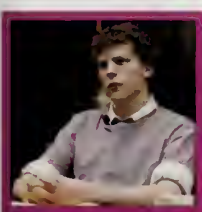
WEDDING BELLS
Katy Perry married British comedian/actor Russell Brand in October with a six-day Hindu wedding celebration at a luxury resort/tiger sanctuary in India.

RIHANNA'S LOUD
The singularly named singer/songwriter continued her successes with the release of her fifth album, a book and the Grammy for Best Dance Recording.

TEENAGE DREAM
Katy Perry's second album not only debuted at number one selling nearly 200,000 copies in the first week, but also earned four Grammy nominations.

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY
Pixar Studios, a subsidiary of Disney since 2006, celebrated its silver anniversary with its ninth Oscar for a feature film.

TOY STORY 3
Director Lee Unkrich was "humbled" and "speechless" when Woody and Buzz Lightyear's three-quel was nominated for five Academy Awards, including both Best Picture and Best Animated Feature. Winning the Oscar for Best Animated Feature was a first for a *Toy Story* film because *Toy Story 2* was created in 1999 and the category was first awarded in 2001.



FACEBOOK STORY
The Social Network, the movie documenting the rise of Facebook, received eight Oscar nominations, winning for Best Soundtrack.

STILL GOLDEN
After winning the 2010 Screen Actors Guild's Lifetime Achievement Award, actress Betty White found herself hosting SNL's Mother's Day episode.

ECLIPSE
The third installment of the Twilight Saga series set a new record in the United States and Canada for the biggest midnight opening in box office history.

IRON MAN 2
After a strong opening weekend, the superhero sequel featuring Marvel Comics characters, finished as 2010's third-highest grossing American film.

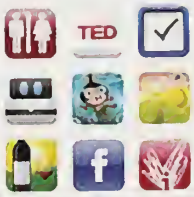
GAGA OOH-LALA
In 2010, it was a meat dress for the VMA awards. In 2011 Lady Gaga stayed in a giant egg for 72 hours before she was transported in the egg to the Grammys.

BLOCKBUSTER MOVIES

01. ***TOY STORY 3***
02. ***ALICE IN WONDERLAND***
03. ***IRON MAN 2***
04. ***THE TWILIGHT SAGA: ECLIPSE***
05. ***INCEPTION***
06. ***HARRY POTTER & THE DEATHLY HALLOWS PART 1***
07. ***DESPICABLE ME***
08. ***SHREK FOREVER AFTER***
09. ***HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON***
10. ***TANGLED***

/STYLE AND GEAR

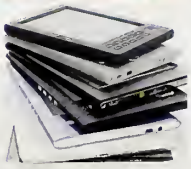
10 BILLION APPS
Apple reached its milestone download of apps for mobile devices on January 22, 2011 after weeks of promotion; the lucky customer earned a $10,000 iTunes giftcard.



TOP OF THE CHARTS
Super Mario Galaxy 2 was introduced with a rolling release for the Nintendo Wii in the spring of 2010 and was considered one of the best video games of all time with a 97/100 rating on Metacritic.

USING STREET VIEW
At the Feb. 11, 2011 launch of the Google Art Project website, it was revealed that art lovers could "visit" acclaimed galleries worldwide, browsing famous artwork with just a click of their mouse.

eREADERS
Amazon's Kindle, Barnes & Noble's Nook, Apple's iPad and the newcomer Samsung Galaxy were among the eReaders/tablet devices sold in 2010, making personal libraries mobile.



MUSIC EVERYWHERE
Sonos Home Music System allowed listeners to hear their favorite music in multiple rooms with a remote and any computer. Similar systems were also created for iPads and other devices.

BIG BAGS
From the runways at Fashion Week to malls and campus hallways and classrooms, the popularity of the hobo bag and other supersized purses was apparent.

RAY-BAN REVIVAL
When these '80s mainstays first made their comeback, vintage stores and eBay were practical sources, but demand encouraged renewed production.

SMARTPHONES
It seemed that nearly everyone had become increasingly dependent on their smartphones, toting an iPhone, Droid or Blackberry wherever they went.

JEGGINGS
When designers crossed leggings with jeans, they got comfy jeggings. Even Conan O'Brien donned a pair on screen in support of this trendy style.

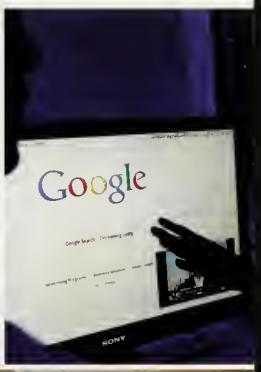
BOOTS GALORE
From flats to spiky heels and everywhere in between, boots seemed to command fashion attention as they completed outfits of many styles.

SKINNY JEANS
Hipsters all over the U.S. and Europe started the revival of popularity in these taut denim pants, but the style had become mainstream in recent years.

ANOTHER DIMENSION Sales of another new tech fad, 3-D television, nearly doubled in 2011 from when the technology was first introduced just a year earlier. With an estimated four million 3-D sets sold in 2011, industry consultants suggested that figure could double again by 2012 as manufacturers hope to tap into the 3-D gaming market. **INVISIBLE CURRENTS** The technology of inductive charging or wireless charging of any device with a lithium battery made its way into homes and offices when users became able to lay their mobile devices on a "power mat" and charge them without any wires or adaptors.

iPHONE ENVY After five years of the iPhone only being available on AT&T's network, Verizon revealed that they'd become a carrier for the most popular smartphone on the market in February 2011. Verizon announced its most successful first-day sales in company history selling 2.9 million phones in a two-hour span to existing customers. While new customers were required to wait a week to purchase Verizon's iPhone, sales data was not immediately available, partially because of high online sales.

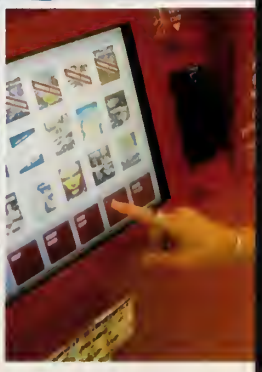
TV/BROWSER OR BOTH? A relatively new technology, Google TV was an internet-connected TV platform that allowed users to stream videos, movies and music and access other information downloadable from the internet on larger screens. Introduced at a May 2010 web developers' conference, Google TV was directly incorporated into some newer high-definition televisions and Blu-ray players. In addition, some users acquired a set-top box containing the Android-based system and necessary accessories in order to have split-screen access to surf the web on the TV while still watching other programming.



IT'S ELECTRIC In December 2010, Nissan began selling its version of the electric car, the Leaf, in five states. In addition 20,000 cars had been "reserved." The battery-powered car used a 120v plug to recharge and Nissan claimed it could go 100 miles between charges. The Nissan Leaf won the 2010 Green Car Vision Award and the 2011 European Car of the Year award for its "no tailpipe pollution or greenhouse gas emissions" operation.

SHOE GLOVES Made to feel like you're running barefoot, the Five Fingers running shoes from Vibram found their way onto runners' feet everywhere. **PACMAN RETURNS** Google celebrated the 30th anniversary of Pacman in May 2010 with the first-ever interactive Google logo illustration. The game, which resembled the arcade original, was live for just 48 hours on the Google search screen. **WIKIPEDIA** The San Francisco-based online encyclopedia which pioneered shared knowledge resources celebrated its 10th birthday. The reference was available in many languages; the ten most popular all included more than 500,000 articles. **iCHILDREN** A study conducted by AVG found that 90% of 2-5 year olds could work a smartphone app but only 9% of the same group could tie their shoes.

AN APPLE A DAY The first-of-its-kind iPad tablet was a huge hit, selling 300,000 the first day, three million devices in 80 days, and nearly 15 million units in calendar 2010. **HOLOGRAPHIC TSAs** Hoping to eliminate human inconsistency, several airports in the UK began beaming holographic images of agents to prep travelers for the security line. **RED BOX IS EVERYWHERE** After studying customer habits, video rental business models changed. Red Box offered $1 movies at more than 25,000 locations and Netflix downloads became instantly available on almost any computer or mobile device.



OTHER "NEWS"

CAR-SICLE

January 23, 2013 was a bad day for New Yorker Peter Rollo. First his Jets lost to the Steelers in the AFC Championship. When he returned to his car he found that a steady stream from a broken water main, subzero temps and frozen doors had left it encased in ice. It took a hatchet, a screwdriver and a blowtorch to uncover the six inches of wintry goodness.

TOOLS USED TO FREE HELFER S CAR FROM ICE

LINT-ASTIC

Believe it or not, Ripley's acquired a "Last Supper" re-creation made of laundry lint. The 14' x 5' masterpiece, on display in the Orlando, was created by Michigan artist Laura Dell. It took Dell 700-800 hours to collect enough lint to create her piece.

NO ROOM FOR A BUN

KFC released its Double Down in April 2010. The new menu item, originally announced as a limited-time offer, consisted of two fried chicken filets (swapping for the traditional buns) sandwiching Monterey Jack and pepper jack cheese, two slices of bacon and a special sauce.

RECORD SALE

A Pablo Picasso painting sold for $106.5 million at a May auction. The 1932 painting *Nude, Green Leaves and Bust* was sold at Christie's in New York.

MISSING CAR

An elderly man parked his car in an shopping in May of 2008 and didn't find it for almost three years. The parking garage seized the car of more than $10,000.

GREEN KICKS

Silk green gloves worn in the Green Fashion Competition. Their biodegradable sneakers can be planted in the ground and grow trees when they're worn out.

SPEAKING UP

After 12 years of talking and breathing through a machine and tube, California's Brenda Jensen received the second transplant of a larynx (a voice box).

CROSSED SIGNAL

A British soldier, believed to be serving in Afghanistan, left a 40-second marriage proposal on the wrong answering machine after dialing erroneously.

SCORPIO SHUFFLE

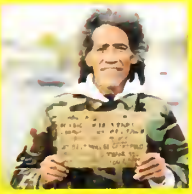
Dancers showed the moves of a "real" zodiac system. Follow-up discussion revealed users of different schools of thought. The debate was caused by the "news."

COLORFUL BACON

Designer Joel Caldwell's bacon comes in rainbow colors! The dyeing received a lot of attention on blogs and with news commentators across the world.

SUN-POWERED FLIGHT

With the hopes of circumnavigating the globe using only solar power, pilot Bertrand Piccard completed a 24-hour test flight.



MAN WITH THE GOLDEN VOICE

A homeless man in Ohio became an internet sensation when a YouTube video of an encounter with him went viral and led to many job offers.

SAY WHAT!?

TALENT SHOW After sixth grader Greyson Chance's performance of Lady Gaga's *Paparazzi* caught the attention of millions of YouTube viewers and led to an appearance on Ellen Degeneres' show. He got a call from Gaga to "Just meet me in a world tour."

NOT SO OLD SPICE "The man your man could smell like" became one of the most popular ads to instantly dominate social media and traditional advertising venues.

DOUBLE RAINBOW What does it mean? This video started appearing everywhere once this over-excited hippie recorded his reaction to a natural phenomenon.

VIRAL RESUMÉ OK Go, a Los Angeles-based band, continued to grow their popularity with this Rube Goldberg-inspired music video of their song *This Too Shall Pass*.

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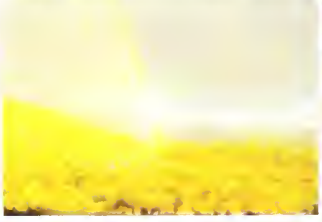

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